

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

**IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY
JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2022**

FLOOR AMENDMENT

TO

2022 -- H 8287

**AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- LICENSING OF HEALTHCARE
FACILITIES**

Mr. President:

1 I hereby move to amend 2022 -- H 8287, entitled "AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH
2 AND SAFETY -- LICENSING OF HEALTHCARE FACILITIES", as follows:

3 1. On page 3, between lines 8 and 9 by inserting the following language:

4 "SECTION 2. Chapter 23-17.5 of the General Laws entitled "Rights of Nursing Home
5 Patients" is hereby amended by adding thereto the following section:

6 **23-17.5-33.1. Suspension of monetary penalties.**

7 (a) Notwithstanding the provisions of § 23-17.5-33(b), (c) and (d) relating to monetary
8 penalties or any public or general law, rule, or regulation to the contrary, upon the effective date
9 of this section, due to public health crises caused by COVID-19, the provisions of § 23-17.5-
10 33(b), (c) and (d) shall be suspended. The provisions of this section shall apply to any facility in
11 violation of § 23-17.5-33 as of April 1, 2022.

12 (b) Unless extended by the general assembly, the provisions of this section, shall expire
13 and sunset on June 30, 2022, at which time the monetary penalty provisions of § 23-17.5-33(b),
14 (c) and (d) shall apply."

15 "SECTION 3. Chapter 16-33.1 of the General Laws entitled "Community College of
16 Rhode Island [See Title 16 Chapter 97 - The Rhode Island Board of Education Act]" is hereby
17 amended by adding thereto the following section:

18 **16-33.1-7. M. Teresa Paiva Weed Campus.**

19 The Newport campus of the community college of Rhode Island shall be named the M.
20 Teresa Paiva Weed campus."

21 2. On page 3, line 9, by deleting the language "SECTION 2", and by inserting in place

1 thereof the language "SECTION 4".

Respectfully submitted,

SENATOR GOODWIN

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