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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2013

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RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT - ADMINISTRATIVE  
PROCEDURES ACT

Introduced By: Representatives Ucci, Shekarchi, Costa, Fellela, and Valencia

Date Introduced: February 14, 2013

Referred To: House Judiciary

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1           SECTION 1. Chapter 42-35 of the General Laws entitled "Administrative Procedures" is  
2 hereby amended by adding thereto the following section

3           **42-35-3.6. Adoption of rules schedule. – (a) The adoption or amendment of any non-**  
4 **emergency rule shall comply with the following schedule:**

5           (1) All proposed rules and amendments shall be published yearly in the month of  
6 December;

7           (2) Public hearings shall be held in the following month of January;

8           (3) The adopted rules and amendments shall become effective no later than the following  
9 April.

10           (b) All emergency rules must be adopted and signed by the governor

11           (c) Non-emergency rules may be adopted without the written consent of the governor.

12           SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon passage.

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EXPLANATION  
BY THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL  
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1           This act would establish a rigid schedule for the covered administrative agencies to  
2 publish and adopt rules and amendments. It would also prohibit the promulgation of an  
3 emergency rule or amendment without the written consent of the governor.

4           This act would take effect upon passage.

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