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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2013

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RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES -- MOTOR VEHICLE OFFENSES

Introduced By: Senator Frank Lombardo

Date Introduced: February 28, 2013

Referred To: Senate Judiciary

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 31-27-1 of the General Laws in Chapter 31-27 entitled "Motor
2 Vehicle Offenses" is hereby amended to read as follows:

3 **31-27-1. Driving so as to endanger, resulting in death.** -- (a) When the death of any
4 person ensues as a proximate result of an injury received by the operation of any vehicle in
5 reckless disregard of the safety of others, including violations of section 31-27-22, the person so
6 operating the vehicle shall be guilty of "driving so as to endanger, resulting in death".

7 (b) Any person charged with the commission of this offense shall upon conviction be
8 imprisoned for not more than ten (10) years and have his or her license to operate a motor vehicle
9 suspended for no more than five (5) years.

10 (c) Any offense under this section shall be charged solely by grand jury indictment.

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

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EXPLANATION
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1 This act would require any charges brought against a person for driving to endanger,
2 death resulting, to be presented and charged before a grand jury.

3 This act would take effect upon passage.

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