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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2014

AN ACT

RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES -- ELECTRONIC CITATIONS

<u>Introduced By:</u> Representatives Lima, Carnevale, Almeida, Shekarchi, and Johnston <u>Date Introduced:</u> January 15, 2014

Referred To: House Judiciary

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Chapter 31-27 of the General Laws entitled "Motor Vehicle Offenses" is 2 hereby amended by adding thereto the following section: 3 <u>31-27-12.5. Electronic citation system for traffic offenses . – (a) The administrative</u> 4 clerk of the judicial department shall, upon approval of the content and form of the summonses 5 and related records in electronic form by the chief magistrate of the traffic tribunal and by the supreme court, provide for electronic transmittal of those forms required by section 31-27-12.2 by 6 7 electronic means to the appropriate judicial venue. 8 (b) To defray the cost of establishing and maintaining the electronic citation system the 9 court receiving the citation shall charge an additional electronic citation fee of five dollars (\$5.00) 10 in every case not disposed of by a finding of not guilty, or dismissed. (c) Sixty percent (60%) of the fee shall be retained by the court, and forty percent (40%) 11 12 shall be disbursed to the arresting agency to defray expenses related to the establishment and 13 operation of the electronic citation system.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon passage.

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EXPLANATION

BY THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

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This act would establish a system for the electronic generation and transmittal of those documents generated by a police agency as a consequence of a traffic citation.

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