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# STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

### IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

#### JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2014

## AN ACT

### RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES - WEAPONS

Introduced By: Senators Lynch, Doyle, and Gallo

Date Introduced: March 05, 2014

Referred To: Senate Judiciary

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. Chapter 11-47 of the General Laws entitled "Weapons" is hereby amended
- 2 by adding thereto the following section:
- 3 <u>11-47-63. Possession of firearms in airports. (a) No person shall possess or transport</u>
- 4 or attempt to transport any firearm through any security checkpoint or in any restricted area on
- 5 <u>airport property.</u>
- 6 (1) For the purpose of this section, "airport property" means the property of any public
  7 airport facility as defined in § 1-2-3.1.
- 8 (2) Every person violating the provisions of this section shall, upon conviction be
- 9 <u>sentenced to imprisonment for not less than one year nor more than five (5) years, or shall be</u>
- 10 fined not less than five hundred dollars (\$500) nor more than five thousand dollars (\$5,000).
- 11 (b) The provisions of this section shall not apply to any person who shall be exempt
- 12 pursuant to the provisions of § 11-47-9 while in the performance of duty or individuals with
- 13 documented authorization to carry weapons onto an airline consistent with applicable federal
- 14 <u>aviation regulations.</u>
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- 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 restrict the possession or transportation of firearms at airports.

2 This act would take effect upon passage.

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