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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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RELATING TO FOOD AND DRUGS -- UNIFORM CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES ACT

Introduced By: Senators Archambault, Satchell, Raptakis, DiPalma, and Ciccone

Date Introduced: March 06, 2014

Referred To: Senate Judiciary

(Attorney General)

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Sections 21-28-4.01.1 and 21-28-4.01.2 of the General Laws in Chapter 21-  
2 28 entitled "Uniform Controlled Substances Act" are hereby amended to read as follows:

3 **21-28-4.01.1. Minimum sentence -- Certain quantities of controlled substances. --** (a)  
4 Except as authorized by this chapter, it shall be unlawful for any person to manufacture, sell, or  
5 possess with intent to manufacture, or sell, a controlled substance classified in schedules I or II  
6 (excluding marijuana) or to possess or deliver the following enumerated quantities of certain  
7 controlled substances:

8 (1) One ounce (1 oz.) to one kilogram (1 kg.) of a mixture or substance containing a  
9 detectable amount of heroin;

10 (2) One ounce (1 oz.) to one kilogram (1 kg.) of a mixture or substance containing a  
11 detectable amount of:

12 (i) Coca leaves, except coca leaves and extracts of coca leaves from which cocaine,  
13 ecgonine, and derivatives of ecgonine or their salts have been removed;

14 (ii) Cocaine, its salts, optical and geometric isomers, and salts of isomers;

15 (iii) Ecgonine, its derivatives, their salts, isomers, and salts of isomers; or

16 (iv) Any compound, mixture, or preparation which contains any quantity of any of the  
17 substances referred to in paragraphs (i) -- (iii) of this subdivision;

18 (3) One gram (1 g.) to ten grams (10 gs.) of phencyclidine (PCP) or one hundred (100) to  
19 one thousand (1,000) tablets of a mixture or substance containing a detectable amount of

1 phencyclidine (PCP);

2 (4) One-tenth of a gram (0.1 g.) to one gram (1 g.) of lysergic acid diethylamide (LSD)  
3 or one hundred (100) to one thousand (1,000) tablets of a mixture or substance containing a  
4 detectable amount of lysergic acid diethylamide (LSD); ~~or~~

5 (5) One kilogram (1 kg.) to five (5 kgs.) kilograms of a mixture containing a detectable  
6 amount of marijuana- ; or

7 (6) One ounce (1 oz.) to one kilogram (1 kg.) of a mixture or substance containing a  
8 detectable amount of synthetic drugs.

9 (b) Any person who violates this section shall be guilty of a crime, and upon conviction,  
10 may be imprisoned for a term up to fifty (50) years and fined not more than five hundred  
11 thousand dollars (\$500,000).

12 **21-28-4.01.2. Minimum sentence -- Certain quantities of controlled substances. --** (a)

13 Except as authorized by the chapter, it shall be unlawful for any person to possess, manufacture,  
14 sell, or deliver the following enumerated quantities of certain controlled substances:

15 (1) More than one kilogram (1 kg.) of a mixture or substance containing a detectable  
16 amount of heroin;

17 (2) More than one kilogram (1 kg.) of a mixture or substance containing a detectable  
18 amount of:

19 (i) Coca leaves, except coca leaves and extracts of coca leaves from which cocaine,  
20 ecgonine, and derivatives of ecgonine or their salts have been removed;

21 (ii) Cocaine, its salts, optical and geometric isomers, and salts of isomers;

22 (iii) Ecgonine, its derivatives, their salts, isomers, and salts of isomers; or

23 (iv) Any compound, mixture, or preparation which contains any quantity of any of the  
24 substances referred to in paragraphs (i) -- (iii) of this subdivision;

25 (3) More than ten grams (10 gs.) of phencyclidine (PCP) or more than one thousand  
26 (1,000) tablets of a mixture or substance containing a detectable amount of phencyclidine (PCP);

27 (4) More than one gram (1 g.) of lysergic acid diethylamide (LSD); or more than one  
28 thousand (1,000) tablets of a mixture or substance containing a detectable amount of lysergic acid  
29 diethylamide (LSD); ~~or~~

30 (5) More than five kilograms (5 kgs.) of a mixture containing a detectable amount of  
31 marijuana- ; or

32 (6) More than one kilogram (1 kg.) of a mixture or substance containing a detectable  
33 amount of synthetic drugs.

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1           (b) Any person who violates this section shall be guilty of a crime, and upon conviction,  
2 may be imprisoned for a term up to life and fined not more than one million dollars (\$1,000,000).

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

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EXPLANATION  
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- 1           This act would provide minimum mandatory sentences for certain quantities of synthetic
- 2   drugs.
- 3           This act would take effect upon passage.

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