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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2014

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RELATING TO PUBLIC UTILITIES AND CARRIERS - PUBLIC MOTOR VEHICLES

Introduced By: Senator Maryellen Goodwin

Date Introduced: April 08, 2014

Referred To: Senate Commerce

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 39-14.1-6 of the General Laws in Chapter 39-14.1 entitled "Public
2 Motor Vehicles" is hereby amended to read as follows:

3 **39-14.1-6. Operations of public motor vehicles.** -- No public motor vehicle shall be
4 operated from any taxicab stand on any public highway; nor shall the operator of it transport any
5 passenger for hire unless the transportation is requested by the passenger at an office of the owner
6 of the vehicle, either personally or by telephone and/or other electronic means. When solicited by
7 a prospective customer the certificate holder or its representative shall quote what the actual
8 charge for the requested transportation service will be prior to picking up the passenger(s).

9 The division shall establish and set a minimum allowable charge for public motor
10 vehicle services. The minimum allowable charge provisions of this section shall not apply to
11 public motor vehicle service [that is prearranged, and for which the rate is disclosed to the](#)
12 [passenger in advance through a software application; or](#) coordinated by or paid for by a state
13 department, authority or agency on behalf of clients of said state department, authority or agency;
14 provided, however, that the state department, authority or agency requests the service no later
15 than the day before the service is to be rendered.

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

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EXPLANATION
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1 This act would eliminate the minimum allowable charge for public motor vehicles when
2 the service is prearranged, and the rate is disclosed to the passenger in advance through a
3 software application.

4 This act would take effect upon passage.

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