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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2015

AN ACT

RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES -- MOTOR VEHICLE OFFENSES

Introduced By: Representative John J. Lombardi

Date Introduced: January 08, 2015

Referred To: House 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) twenty (20) years and have his or her license to operate a
- 9 motor vehicle suspended for no more than five (5) ten (10) years.
- 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 increase the penalties for driving so as to endanger, death resulting, by increasing the maximum term of imprisonment from ten (10) years to twenty (20) years, and the maximum term of license suspension from five (5) years to ten (10) years.

This act would take effect upon passage.

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