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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2015

AN ACT

RELATING TO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES - REGULATION OF SALES

<u>Introduced By:</u> Representatives Lally, Hull, and Craven <u>Date Introduced:</u> February 11, 2015 <u>Referred To:</u> House Judiciary

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 3-8-10 of the General Laws in Chapter 3-8 entitled "Regulation of
Sales" is hereby amended to read as follows:

3 3-8-10. Possession of beverage by underage persons. -- Any person who has not 4 reached his or her twenty-first (21st) birthday and has in his or her possession any beverage as 5 defined in this title shall may be fined one hundred fifty dollars (\$150) to seven hundred fifty dollars (\$750) for the first offense, three hundred dollars (\$300) to seven hundred fifty dollars 6 7 (\$750) for the second offense, and four hundred fifty dollars (\$450) to nine hundred fifty dollars 8 (\$950) for the third or subsequent offense. In addition, any person who violates this section shall 9 may be required to perform thirty (30) hours of community service and shall may be subject to a minimum sixty (60) day suspension of his or her driver's license, and upon a second offense may 10 11 be ordered to undergo a substance abuse assessment by a licensed substance abuse professional.

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SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon passage.

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EXPLANATION

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1 This act would make the imposition of the penalties contained in this section

2 discretionary as opposed to mandatory.

3 This act would take effect upon passage.

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