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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2015

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RELATING TO HIGHWAYS - SIDEWALKS

Introduced By: Representatives McLaughlin, MacBeth, and Messier

Date Introduced: February 11, 2015

Referred To: House Finance

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1           SECTION 1. Chapter 24-7 of the General Laws entitled "Highways" is hereby amended  
2 by adding thereto the following section:

3           **24-7-12. Snow removal on state controlled pedestrian walkways.** -- The director of the  
4 department of transportation is directed to organize and complete snow removal on all sidewalks  
5 located on state highway overpasses, and on all pedestrian overhead walkways under the control  
6 of the state that have significant pedestrian traffic. The department is hereby directed to  
7 promulgate rules and regulations to implement the provisions of this section which shall, at a  
8 minimum, include identifying those sidewalks and walkways that have significant pedestrian  
9 traffic. The department shall utilize and seek input from the various cities and towns in  
10 identifying the subject sidewalks and walkways. The removal of snow shall be completed within  
11 twenty-four (24) hours after the end of snowfall.

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

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EXPLANATION  
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1           This act would require the director of the department of transportation to organize and  
2 complete snow removal on all sidewalks located on state highway overpasses, and on all  
3 pedestrian overhead walkways under the control of the state, and on all state-owned crosswalks  
4 equipped with handicapped accessible signals within twenty-four (24) hours after the end of a  
5 snowstorm.

6           This act would take effect upon passage.

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