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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2015

AN ACT

RELATING TO MILITARY AFFAIRS AND DEFENSE

Introduced By: Representatives Jacquard, and Nunes

Date Introduced: March 13, 2015

Referred To: House Veterans` Affairs

(National Guard)

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

- SECTION 1. Section 30-2-6 of the General Laws in Chapter 30-2 entitled "Organization
 and Command of Military and Naval Forces" is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 3 30-2-6. Order of militia into service. -- (a) In case of martial law, war, invasion, 4 rebellion, insurrection, riot, tumult, public calamity requirement for public safety reinforcement 5 or catastrophe, or other emergency, or imminent danger thereof, or resistance to the laws of this state or the United States, the governor shall order into service, all or any part of the militia that 6 7 he or she may deem necessary, to serve until the exigencies shall have passed. If the occasion be so sudden that the governor cannot be informed and his or her orders received and executed, the 8 9 adjutant general may order into service all or any part of the militia, with like powers and 10 authority as are herein conferred on the governor.
- (b) In the event of a request for assistance from the state of Rhode Island or an agency thereof, the governor may order into service all or part of the militia that he or she may deem necessary, to serve for the purposes of providing assistance and support for official state functions, <u>military funerals</u>, <u>memorials</u>, <u>commemoratory services or parades in or out of state</u> or other state activities for training.
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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 authorize the governor to call the National Guard into service for public
- 2 safety or memorial service purposes.
- 3 This act would take effect upon passage.

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