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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2015

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RELATING TO FISH AND WILDLIFE -- HUNTING AND HUNTING SAFETY

Introduced By: Senators Ciccone, Kettle, Archambault, Lombardi, and McCaffrey

Date Introduced: February 11, 2015

Referred To: Senate Judiciary

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 20-13-13 of the General Laws in Chapter 20-13 entitled "Hunting
2 and Hunting Safety" is hereby amended to read as follows:

3 **20-13-13. Restriction on size of weapons and ammunition.** -- Whoever uses or has in
4 his or her possession while hunting in this state any rifle: (a) larger than a twenty-two (22) caliber
5 rim fire rifle; or (b) other than a muzzle loading rifle; or (c) other than any shotgun and shells
6 loaded with ball, bullets, slug; or shot larger than ~~number two (no. 2)~~ 00 ("double-aught") shot,
7 shall be fined not more than five hundred dollars (\$500) or imprisoned not exceeding thirty (30)
8 days, or both; provided, however, that from April 1 to September 30, both dates inclusive, no
9 center fire rifles larger than .229 caliber may be used during daylight hours; and provided further,
10 that persons hunting water fowl in a blind or over decoys may use steel shot of size number one
11 (no. 1) or BB.

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

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EXPLANATION
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1 This act would change the maximum size of shotgun shells a person may have in his or
2 her possession while hunting from a number two (no. 2) shot to a 00 ("double-aught") shot.

3 This act would take effect upon passage.

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