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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2015

AN ACT

RELATING TO MILITARY AFFAIRS AND DEFENSE - RHODE ISLAND VETERANS' HOME

Introduced By: Senators Pichardo, Felag, and Walaska

Date Introduced: April 01, 2015

Referred To: Senate Special Legislation and Veterans Affairs

(Human Services)

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 30-24-9 of the General Laws in Chapter 30-24 entitled "Rhode

Island Veterans' Home" is hereby amended to read as follows:

30-24-9. Property of deceased residents. -- All goods, chattels, property, money, and

4 effects of a deceased resident of the Rhode Island veterans' home, which have not been disposed

of by him or her by a completed inter vivos conveyance or gift, or by a valid will, after payment

therefrom of the funeral expenses, which shall not exceed five thousand dollars (\$5,000) ten

thousand dollars (\$10,000), and after payment therefrom of the reasonable debts and expenses of

8 the deceased resident to be determined by rules and regulations as shall be adopted by the

9 director, shall upon his or her decease become the property of the state, and shall be applied by

the director of human services or his designee to the uses and purposes of the veterans' restricted

account; provided, however, that the director may in his or her discretion deliver to any surviving

relative of the deceased resident any of the property or effects as may serve as a memento of the

deceased resident. For purposes of this section, the provisions of chapter 24 of title 33 shall be

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SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon passage.

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EXPLANATION

BY THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

OF

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This act would increase the permissible funeral expense for a veteran who dies at the veterans' home from five thousand dollars (\$5,000) to ten thousand dollars (\$10,000).

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