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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2016

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RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT - ATLANTIC TIME ZONE

Introduced By: Representatives Filippi, Chippendale, and Reilly

Date Introduced: February 12, 2016

Referred To: House Judiciary

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Title 42 of the General Laws entitled "STATE AFFAIRS AND
2 GOVERNMENT" is hereby amended by adding thereto the following chapter:

3 CHAPTER 158

4 TIME ZONE

5 **42-158-1. Time Zone change.** – If and when the commonwealth of Massachusetts shall
6 adopt legislation adopting the Atlantic time zone in that state in preference to the Eastern time
7 zone, then and in such event, the state of Rhode Island shall likewise adopt the Atlantic time
8 zone; the change to be effected in Rhode Island on the same date and time.

9 **42-158-2. Implementation of time zone change.** – If a time zone change occurs
10 pursuant to §42-158-1, the governor shall direct the superintendent of the state police to prepare
11 such plans and directives for the practical implementation of the change of time zone as may be
12 necessary and desirable.

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

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EXPLANATION
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- 1 This act would provide for Rhode Island's adoption of the Atlantic time zone if and when
- 2 Massachusetts does so.
- 3 This act would take effect upon passage.

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