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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- EXPLOSIVES

Introduced By: Senators Morgan, and Algieri

Date Introduced: February 09, 2016

Referred To: Senate Judiciary

(by request)

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 23-28.28-37 of the General Laws in Chapter 23-28.28 entitled
2 "Explosives" is hereby amended to read as follows:

3 **23-28.28-37. Notice to adjoining landowners. --** (a) Prior to the commencement of
4 blasting operations, any person, firm, corporation, or other entity that is regulated pursuant to the
5 provisions of this chapter shall notify ~~the owner~~ any abutters or owners of record of any improved
6 real property within five hundred (500') feet, as measured from the ~~nearest borehole~~ property line
7 of the blast site to the closest improved real property, of an intended blast or detonation,
8 ~~excluding~~ including road, bridge, utility, and public works construction, no less than ~~twenty-four~~
9 ~~(24) hours~~ fourteen (14) days prior to the blast or detonation.

10 (b) Notification shall be by registered mail.

11 (c) Written notification shall also be provided to local police departments, fire
12 departments, building and zoning offices and local fire marshals not less than seven (7) days prior
13 to the blast or detonation.

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

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1 This act would require notification of blasting operations be provided by registered mail
2 to any abutter, or owners of record of any improved real property within five hundred feet (500')
3 from the property line of the blast site fourteen (14) days prior to blasting. Road, bridge, utility,
4 and public works construction, would no longer be exempt from the notification law.

5 This act would take effect upon passage.

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