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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2016

SENATE RESOLUTION

AFFIRMING THAT THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS SHALL GIVE DUE CONSIDERATION TO THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE RHODE ISLAND STATEWIDE TASK FORCE TO ADDRESS ADULT SEXUAL ASSAULT AND WILL WORK TOWARD LEGISLATIVE IMPLEMENTATION OF THOSE RECOMMENDATIONS

Introduced By: Senators Nesselbush, Goodwin, Lynch Prata, Paiva Weed, and Gallo

Date Introduced: June 09, 2016

Referred To: Senate Judiciary

1 WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Rhode Island and the Providence Plantations
2 deplores the prevalence of sexual assault in our society and in 2015, passed a resolution
3 respectfully requesting that the Rhode Island Statewide Task Force To Address Adult Sexual
4 Assault provide a report on its findings and recommendations to increase the reporting
5 requirements and decrease the instances of sexual assaults in our state; and

6 WHEREAS, The Rhode Island Statewide Task Force To Address Adult Sexual Assault
7 consists of members from state and local law enforcement and prosecution agencies, advocacy
8 groups such as Day One, and professionals from social services, and members of the medical and
9 higher education fields; and

10 WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Rhode Island and the Rhode Island Statewide
11 Task Force To Address Adult Sexual Assault are working together to fully support victims of this
12 crime, and to find better solutions and pathways to reduce and eradicate the prevalence of sexual
13 assault, abuse and violence in Rhode Island; and

14 WHEREAS, In May of 2016, the Task Force published a report in response to the request
15 by the Senate of the State of Rhode Island, which report was noted to be an Interim Report which
16 presented findings and recommendations; and

17 WHEREAS, Said report contains numerous findings and recommendations regarding the
18 reporting of sexual assaults, medical care for sexual assault victims and first responder training on

1 the treatment of sexual assault victims, including recommendations for legislative changes and
2 additions; now, therefore, be it

3 RESOLVED, That this Senate of the State of Rhode Island and the Providence
4 Plantations will hereby give the findings and recommendations of the Rhode Island Statewide
5 Task Force To Address Adult Sexual Assault paramount thought and consideration and will
6 diligently work toward legislative implementation of those recommendations in order to increase
7 the reporting and decrease the instances of sexual assaults in our state.

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