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# STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

#### IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

#### **JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2017**

### AN ACT

#### RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS - POLICE AND FIRE ARBITRATIONS

Introduced By: Representatives Almeida, Hull, Lombardi, Jacquard, and Johnston

Date Introduced: March 01, 2017

Referred To: House Labor

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 28-9.1-17 of the General Laws in Chapter 28-9.1 entitled

"Firefighters' Arbitration" is hereby amended to read as follows:

#### 28-9.1-17. Continuance of contractual provisions.

All contractual provisions contained in a collective bargaining agreement entered into pursuant to the provisions of this chapter shall continue in the following collective bargaining agreement unless either the bargaining agent or the corporate authority shall, in writing, within the thirty (30) day period referred to in § 28 9.1 7, propose a change in any contractual provision until such time as a successor agreement has been reached between the parties or an interest arbitration award has been rendered.

SECTION 2. Section 28-9.2-17 of the General Laws in Chapter 28-9.2 entitled "Municipal Police Arbitration" is hereby amended to read as follows:

### 28-9.2-17. Continuance of contractual provisions.

All contractual provisions contained in a collective bargaining agreement entered into pursuant to the provisions of this chapter shall continue in the following collective bargaining agreement unless either the bargaining agent or the corporate authority shall, in writing, within the thirty (30) day period referred to in § 28-9.2-7, propose a change in any contractual provisions until such time as a successor agreement has been reached between the parties or an interest arbitration award has been rendered.

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# EXPLANATION

### BY THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

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This act would allow expired collective bargaining agreements for firefighters and municipal police to remain in effect until a successor agreement becomes operative.

This act would take effect upon passage.

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