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# STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

### IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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

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#### AN ACT

#### RELATING TO FOOD AND DRUGS - UNIFORM CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES ACT

<u>Introduced By:</u> Senator Elizabeth A. Crowley

<u>Date Introduced:</u> April 25, 2017

Referred To: Senate Judiciary

(Attorney General)

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

- SECTION 1. Sections 21-28-4.01.1 and 21-28-4.01.2 of the General Laws in Chapter 2128 entitled "Uniform Controlled Substances Act" are hereby amended to read as follows:

  21-28-4.01.1. Minimum sentence -- Certain quantities of controlled substances.

  (a) Except as authorized by this chapter, it shall be unlawful for any person to manufacture, sell, or possess with intent to manufacture, or sell, a controlled substance classified
- 6 in schedules I or II (excluding marijuana) or to possess or deliver the following enumerated
  7 quantities of certain controlled substances:
- 8 (1) One ounce (1 oz.) to one kilogram (1 kg.) of a mixture or substance containing a detectable amount of heroin:
- 10 (2) One ounce (1 oz.) to one kilogram (1 kg.) of a mixture or substance containing a detectable amount of:
- 12 (i) Coca leaves, except coca leaves and extracts of coca leaves from which cocaine, 13 ecgonine, and derivatives of ecgonine or their salts have been removed;
- 14 (ii) Cocaine, its salts, optical and geometric isomers, and salts of isomers;
- 15 (iii) Ecgonine, its derivatives, their salts, isomers, and salts of isomers; or
- 16 (iv) Any compound, mixture, or preparation which contains any quantity of any of the 17 substances referred to in paragraphs (i) -- (iii) of this subdivision;
- 18 (3) One gram (1 g.) to ten grams (10 gs.) of phencyclidine (PCP) or one hundred (100) to 19 one thousand (1,000) tablets of a mixture or substance containing a detectable amount of

2	(4) One-tenth of a gram (0.1 g.) to one gram (1 g.) of lysergic acid diethylamide (LSD) or
3	one hundred (100) to one thousand (1,000) tablets of a mixture or substance containing a
4	detectable amount of lysergic acid diethylamide (LSD);
5	(5) One kilogram (1 kg.) to five (5 kgs.) kilograms of a mixture containing a detectable
6	amount of marijuana; or
7	(6) One ounce (1 oz.) to one kilogram (1 kg.) of a mixture or substance containing a
8	detectable amount of synthetic drugs-; or
9	(7) One ounce (1 oz.) to one kilogram (1 kg.) of a mixture or substance containing a
10	detectable amount of fentanyl.
11	(b) Any person who violates this section shall be guilty of a crime, and upon conviction,
12	may be imprisoned for a term up to fifty (50) years and fined not more than five hundred
13	thousand dollars (\$500,000).
14	21-28-4.01.2. Minimum sentence Certain quantities of controlled substances.
15	(a) Except as authorized by the chapter, it shall be unlawful for any person to possess,
16	manufacture, sell, or deliver the following enumerated quantities of certain controlled substances:
17	(1) More than one kilogram (1 kg.) of a mixture or substance containing a detectable
18	amount of heroin;
19	(2) More than one kilogram (1 kg.) of a mixture or substance containing a detectable
20	amount of:
21	(i) Coca leaves, except coca leaves and extracts of coca leaves from which cocaine,
22	ecgonine, and derivatives of ecgonine or their salts have been removed;
23	(ii) Cocaine, its salts, optical and geometric isomers, and salts of isomers;
24	(iii) Ecgonine, its derivatives, their salts, isomers, and salts of isomers; or
25	(iv) Any compound, mixture, or preparation which contains any quantity of any of the
26	substances referred to in paragraphs (i) (iii) of this subdivision;
27	(3) More than ten grams (10 gs.) of phencyclidine (PCP) or more than one thousand
28	(1,000) tablets of a mixture or substance containing a detectable amount of phencyclidine (PCP);
29	(4) More than one gram (1 g.) of lysergic acid diethylamide (LSD); or more than one
30	thousand (1,000) tablets of a mixture or substance containing a detectable amount of lysergic acid
31	diethylamide (LSD);
32	(5) More than five kilograms (5 kgs.) of a mixture containing a detectable amount of
33	marijuana; <del>or</del>
34	(6) More than one kilogram (1 kg.) of a mixture or substance containing a detectable

phencyclidine (PCP);

amount of synthetic drugs; or

(7) More than one kilogram (1 kg.) of a mixture or substance containing a detectable

amount of fentanyl.

(b) Any person who violates this section shall be guilty of a crime, and upon conviction,

may be imprisoned for a term up to life and fined not more than one million dollars (\$1,000,000).

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon passage.

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#### **EXPLANATION**

## BY THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

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This act would make it unlawful for any person to possess, manufacture, sell, or deliver from one ounce (1 oz.) to one kilogram (1 kg.) of a mixture or substance containing a detectable amount of fentanyl and would provide for a punishment by a prison term of up to fifty (50) years and fine of not more than five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000). The act would also provide for a punishment of up to life in prison and a fine of no more than one million dollars (\$1,000,000) for the possession, manufacture, sale, or delivery of more than one kilogram (1 kg.) of a mixture or substance containing a detectable amount of fentanyl.

This act would take effect upon passage.

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