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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2018

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RELATING TO EDUCATION - CURRICULUM

Introduced By: Representatives Perez, McKiernan, Chippendale, Hull, and Almeida

Date Introduced: January 12, 2018

Referred To: House Health, Education & Welfare

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Chapter 16-22 of the General Laws entitled "Curriculum [See Title 16
2 Chapter 97 - The Rhode Island Board of Education Act]" is hereby amended by adding thereto
3 the following section:

4 **16-22-29. Yearly field trips to nature preserve, reserve, or conservatory required.**

5 The general assembly recognizes the importance of a citizenry well educated in the
6 principles of nature and our environment, as well as the general assembly's duty to provide for the
7 preservation, regeneration and restoration of the natural environment of the state, as enunciated
8 in the constitution of the state of Rhode Island. In light of this, public schools of this state,
9 beginning in kindergarten and continuing through and including grade twelve (12), shall annually
10 provide access for every student to at least one field trip to a nature preserve, reserve, or
11 conservatory.

12 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect on July 1, 2018.

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