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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2019

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RELATING TO COURTS AND CIVIL PROCEDURE - PROCEDURE GENERALLY - JURY
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Introduced By: Representatives Casimiro, Shekarchi, Alzate, Kazarian, and Maldonado

Date Introduced: February 06, 2019

Referred To: House Judiciary

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 9-9-3 of the General Laws in Chapter 9-9 entitled "Jury Lists" is
2 hereby amended to read as follows:

3 **9-9-3. Persons exempt from service.**

4 [\(a\)](#) The following persons shall be exempted from serving as jurors, unless such persons
5 shall waive their exemption, namely: the members of congress from the state of Rhode Island, the
6 general officers of the state, the members and officers of the general assembly during their tenure
7 of office irrespective of whether the general assembly is in session or not, the jury commissioner
8 and his or her assistants, the justices of the state and United States courts, clerks of those courts,
9 practicing attorneys-at-law, correctional officers, deputy sheriffs, probation and parole officers,
10 members of any paid police force of the state or of any city or town, members of any paid fire
11 department of any city or town, and members of the armed services on active duty.

12 [\(b\) Any potential juror who is a breastfeeding mother shall, upon request, be exempted](#)
13 [from serving as a juror.](#)

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

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EXPLANATION
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- 1 This act would provide an exemption from jury service to any breastfeeding mother.
- 2 This act would take effect upon passage.

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