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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES -- SEXUAL ASSAULTS

Introduced By: Representatives Marszalkowski, Casimiro, and Caldwell

Date Introduced: March 07, 2019

Referred To: House Judiciary

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 11-37-6 of the General Laws in Chapter 11-37 entitled "Sexual
2 Assault" is hereby amended to read as follows:

3 **11-37-6. Third degree sexual assault.**

4 A person is guilty of third degree sexual assault if:

5 (1) The person ~~he or she~~ is over the age of eighteen (18) years and engaged in sexual
6 penetration with another person over the age of fourteen (14) years and under the age of consent,
7 sixteen (16) years of age; or

8 (2) The person is employed, acting or performing as a teacher, school employee or
9 administrator, school bus driver, school contract service provider or school volunteer with
10 supervisory or disciplinary authority and engaged in sexual penetration with a student over the
11 age of fourteen (14) years and under the age of eighteen (18) years.

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

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EXPLANATION
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1 This act would provide that a school teacher or employee that engages in sexual
2 penetration of a student over fourteen (14) and less than eighteen (18) shall be guilty of third
3 degree sexual assault.

4 This act would take effect upon passage.

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