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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2020

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RELATING TO GENERAL ASSEMBLY -- ELECTRONIC VOTING

Introduced By: Senators Raptakis, Murray, Morgan, Bell, and McKenney

Date Introduced: February 13, 2020

Referred To: Senate Rules, Government Ethics and Oversight

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 22-3-18 of the General Laws in Chapter 22-3 entitled "Organization
2 of General Assembly" is hereby amended to read as follows:

3 **22-3-18. Electronic voting.**

4 (a) For the purpose of receiving and recording the vote of members of the general
5 assembly pursuant to the rules of the senate and the house of representatives, the joint committee
6 on legislative services shall provide for the senate and house of representatives an electronic
7 device or devices for the use by the members of the general assembly in casting and recording
8 votes.

9 (b) The joint committee on legislative services shall make the record of the vote available
10 to the public electronically not later than thirty (30) minutes following the casting of said vote,
11 and shall similarly provide the record of said vote electronically to the secretary of state.

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

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EXPLANATION
BY THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL
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1 This act would require the joint committee on legislative services to make the record of
2 the votes of the general assembly available to the public and the secretary of state electronically
3 within thirty (30) minutes of the casting of said vote.

4 This act would take effect upon passage.

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