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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2020

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RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES - MOTOR VEHICLE VIOLATIONS  
FINES COLLECTED

Introduced By: Senators Morgan, de la Cruz, Ciccone, Lombardo, and Archambault

Date Introduced: February 25, 2020

Referred To: Senate Judiciary

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Title 31 of the General Laws entitled "MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES"  
2 is hereby amended by adding thereto the following chapter:

3 CHAPTER 54

4 COLLECTION OF MOTOR VEHICLE VIOLATIONS' FINES

5 **31-54-1. Collection of motor vehicle violations' fines.**

6 Notwithstanding any general law, rule or regulation to the contrary, no fines and/or costs  
7 assessed as a result of a motor vehicle violation(s) of title 31 may be collected against a responsible  
8 motorist by the state, any municipality or a court, more than seven (7) years after the violation fine  
9 and/or cost become final and unappealable.

10 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 prohibit the state, municipalities, or courts from attempting to collect any
- 2 motor vehicle violation fines or costs, after more than seven (7) years of the fine becoming final.
- 3           This act would take effect upon passage.

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