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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- VITAL RECORDS

Introduced By: Senators Paolino, de la Cruz, Morgan, and Rogers

Date Introduced: March 11, 2021

Referred To: Senate Judiciary

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1           SECTION 1. Chapter 23-3 of the General Laws entitled "Vital Records" is hereby amended  
2 by adding thereto the following section:

3           **23-3-16.1. Additional duties of Rhode Island department of health.**

4           Upon the filing of the death certificate pursuant to §23-3-16, the department of health,  
5 division of vital records, shall file written or electronic notification of the name and address of the  
6 deceased with the office of the secretary of state and the chairperson of the board of canvassers of  
7 the city or town in accordance with the address listed on the death certificate for the purpose of  
8 removal of the deceased from the rolls of registered voters.

9           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 division of vital records, upon the filing of a death certificate,  
2   to file a written or electronic notification of the name and address of the deceased with the office  
3   of the secretary of state and the chairperson of the board of canvassers of the city or town listed on  
4   the death certificate for the purpose of removal from the rolls of registered voters.

5           This act would take effect upon passage.

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