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# STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

### IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

#### JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2022

#### AN ACT

#### RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES -- REGISTRATION OF VEHICLES

<u>Introduced By:</u> Representatives Casimiro, Baginski, Noret, and P Morgan <u>Date Introduced:</u> April 29, 2022 <u>Referred To:</u> House Special Legislation

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. Chapter 31-3 of the General Laws entitled "Registration of Vehicles" is
- 2 hereby amended by adding thereto the following section:

#### 31-3-122. Rhode Island manufacturing industry plates.

- 4 (a) The administrator of the division of motor vehicles shall issue for any motor vehicle 5 eligible for registration as an automobile, or for any motorcycle eligible for registration as a motorcycle, or for a commercial vehicle having a gross weight of twelve thousand pounds (12,000 6 7 lbs.) or less, plates designated as "manufacturing industry" plates upon application on proper forms 8 furnished by the administrator of the division of motor vehicles to persons engaged in the business 9 of manufacturing; which shall include any person who owns a manufacturing business or who 10 works in the manufacturing industry. (b) The designated "manufacturing industry" plates shall be designed as follows: 11 12 (1) Letters and numbers shall be blue in a white background with the words "Rhode Island" 13 clearly visible at the top center of the plate and the letters "MFG" displayed down the left side of 14 the plate in all capital letters. 15 (2) Background shall contain the current plate design and contents pursuant to § 31-3-11. (c) The applicant shall be required to provide information verifying their occupation in the 16 17 manufacturing industry that is satisfactory to the division and pay a service charge of twenty dollars 18 (\$20.00) for the plate.
- 19 (d) The owner of a motor vehicle eligible for registration as an automobile that is issued

- 1 <u>manufacturing industry plates shall continue to pay the appropriate automobile registration fee for</u>
- 2 the plates. The owner of a motor vehicle eligible for registration as a commercial vehicle that is
- 3 issued manufacturing industry plates shall continue to pay the appropriate commercial registration
- 4 <u>fee for the plates pursuant to § 31-3-11.</u>
- 5 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect six (6) months after passage.

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## **EXPLANATION**

## BY THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

## OF

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1 This act would require the division of motor vehicles to make available "Rhode Island

2 Manufacturing Industry" license plates for anyone who owns a manufacturing business or who

3 works in the manufacturing industry.

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This act would take effect six (6) months after passage.

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