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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2019

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RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES -- COMPREHENSIVE COMMUNITY --
POLICE RELATIONSHIP ACT OF 2015

Introduced By: Representatives Lombardi, Cassar, Hull, and Walsh

Date Introduced: January 10, 2019

Referred To: House Health, Education & Welfare

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Chapter 31-21.2 of the General Laws entitled "Comprehensive Community-
2 Police Relationship Act of 2015" is hereby amended by adding thereto the following section:

3 **31-21.2-9. Driver education instruction requirement.**

4 (a) All driver education instruction programs conducted pursuant to §31-10-19 shall
5 incorporate as part of their course curriculum a section designed to teach applicants or
6 prospective applicants the rules and regulations pertaining to the prohibitions and obligations
7 contained in this chapter, including the rights and methods for the filing of a complaint in
8 accordance with §31-21.2-8.

9 (b) The curriculum shall include, but not be limited to, the following:

10 (1) Obligation of the driver to comply with all lawful instructions of the law enforcement
11 officer;

12 (2) Requirement to provide driving license or permit, vehicle registration, and proof of
13 insurance documentation; and

14 (3) Procedure by which a complaint may be initiated pursuant to §31-21.2-8 for any
15 alleged violations.

16 (c) Such instruction shall emphasize the importance of the operator of a motor vehicle
17 fulfilling their obligations when subject to a traffic stop by any municipal or state law
18 enforcement officer and that any violation of their rights may only be asserted and enforced after

1 [the traffic stop and not during said stop pursuant to the complaint procedures set forth in this](#)
2 [chapter.](#)

3 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 that all driver education programs incorporate as part of their
2 curriculum a section designed to teach applicants the prohibitions and obligations relating to
3 traffic stops by state and municipal law enforcement officers and the procedure for filing a
4 complaint alleging any violations.

5 This act would take effect upon passage.

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