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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2015

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RELATING TO COMMERCIAL LAW - UNFAIR SALES PRACTICES

Introduced By: Representatives Kennedy, Marcello, Blazejewski, Phillips, and Nunes

Date Introduced: February 05, 2015

Referred To: House Corporations

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Chapter 6-13 of the General Laws entitled "Unfair Sales Practices" is
2 hereby amended by adding thereto the following section:

3 **6-13-22. Contact lens resale price maintenance prohibited.** – No manufacturer or
4 distributor of prescription contact lenses shall prevent, by any means including through a
5 unilateral policy or agreement, any retailer from selling or advertising such contact lenses to
6 consumers below any specified price, or to otherwise limit the ability of any retailer to determine
7 prices at which contact lenses are offered or advertised to consumers, or shall discriminate in the
8 distribution of contact lenses based on the channel of trade or based on whether any retailer is, or
9 is associated with, a person or entity authorized by law to prescribe such contact lenses. Any
10 violation of this section shall be enforced pursuant to § 6-13-6.

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

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EXPLANATION
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- 1 This act would prohibit resale price maintenance in the contact lens market.
- 2 This act would take effect upon passage.

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