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## STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

### IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

#### **JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2013**

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### AN ACT

### RELATING TO MILITARY AFFAIRS AND DEFENSE - NATIONAL GUARD

Introduced By: Representatives Gallison, Fellela, Azzinaro, Casey, and Slater

Date Introduced: February 27, 2013

Referred To: House Veterans` Affairs

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 30-3-41 of the General Laws in Chapter 30-3 entitled "National Guard" is hereby amended to read as follows:

<u>30-3-41. The Rhode Island Military Family Relief Fund. ---</u> (a) There is hereby created the Rhode Island Military Family Relief Fund. The purpose of this fund shall be to aid family members of the Rhode Island National Guard and military force reservists and members of the active duty military with either a home of record or military service point of entry being in the State of Rhode Island and who have been activated or deployed for state or federal service.

(b) In addition to funds deposited by the general treasurer in accordance with section 44-30-2.9, the adjutant general is authorized to accept any grant, devise, bequest, donation, gift, services in kind, assignment of money, binds or other valuable securities, or moneys appropriated by the general assembly for deposit in and credit of the fund.

(c) The Rhode Island Military Family Relief Fund shall be administered by the adjutant general or the adjutant general's designated representative. The adjutant general shall establish criteria pertaining to eligibility for fund assistance. The funds will be distributed at the discretion of the adjutant general and in accordance with the established criteria to the families of the National Guard or military force reservists and members of the active duty military with either a home of record or military service point of entry being in the State of Rhode Island. The criteria for distribution and disbursement shall be established in accordance with Chapter 35 of Title 42,

19 the "Administrative Procedures Act."

| 1 | SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon passage. |
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# EXPLANATION

# BY THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

OF

# AN ACT

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This act would eliminate the requirement of activation or deployment for state or federal service for recipients of the Rhode Island Military Family Relief Fund.

This act would take effect upon passage.

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