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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

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RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT - DEPARTMENT OF ATTORNEY
GENERAL

Introduced By: Representatives Messier, Fellela, E Coderre, Williams, and Ferri

Date Introduced: March 28, 2013

Referred To: House Judiciary

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 42-9-4 of the General Laws in Chapter 42-9 entitled "Department
2 of Attorney General" is hereby amended to read as follows:

3 **42-9-4. Prosecution of offenses.** -- (a) The attorney general shall draw and present all
4 informations and indictments, or other legal or equitable process, against any offenders, as by law
5 required, and diligently, by a due course of law or equity, prosecute them to final judgment and
6 execution.

7 (b) The duty of the attorney general under this section shall include the duty to prosecute
8 all charges of violations of sections 31-27-2.1, 31-27-2.3, and/or 31-27-2.5, jurisdiction over the
9 adjudication of which is conferred upon the traffic tribunal under chapter 41.1 of title 31.

10 (c) The duty of the attorney general under this section shall include the duty to prosecute
11 all charges of violations of chapter 29 of title 12.

12 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 provide the department of attorney general with exclusive jurisdiction to
- 2 prosecute violations of chapter 29 of title 12.
- 3 This act would take effect upon passage.

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