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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2010

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RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES -- WEIGHT LIMITS

Introduced By: Representatives Winfield, and Menard

Date Introduced: February 24, 2010

Referred To: House Finance

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 31-25-18 of the General Laws in Chapter 31-25 entitled "Size,
2 Weight, and Load Limits" is hereby amended to read as follows:

3 **31-25-18. Weighing of suspected overweight vehicles.** – (a) Any proper officer having
4 reason to believe that the weight of a vehicle and load is unlawful is authorized to require the
5 driver to stop and submit to a weighing of the vehicle and load by means of either portable or
6 stationary scales, and may require that the vehicle be driven to the nearest available stationary
7 scales.

8 (b) The state department of transportation shall establish between two (2) and four (4)
9 permanent weigh stations with stationary scales at convenient locations within the state to aid in
10 the enforcement of this chapter.

11 (c) All fines and penalties imposed and collected pursuant to section 31-25-16 shall be
12 deposited in a restricted receipt account. The deposited funds shall be used exclusively for the
13 repair and maintenance of state roads and bridges.

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

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EXPLANATION
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1 This act would require that the state department of transportation establish between two
2 (2) and four (4) permanent weigh stations and would create a restricted receipt account to collect
3 those fines and penalties imposed upon overweight vehicles to be used exclusively for the repair
4 and maintenance of state roads and bridges.

5 This act would take effect upon passage.

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