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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY - COMPREHENSIVE CHILDREN'S JEWELRY SAFETY ACT

Introduced By: Senators Sheehan, Perry, Miller, Sosnowski, and Gallo

Date Introduced: February 16, 2012

Referred To: Senate Health & Human Services

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1   SECTION 1. Title 23 of the General Laws entitled "HEALTH AND SAFETY" is hereby

2   amended by adding thereto the following chapter:

3   CHAPTER 24.11

4   COMPREHENSIVE CHILDREN'S JEWELRY SAFETY ACT

5   **23-24.11-1. Short title. –** This act shall be known and may be cited as the

6   "Comprehensive Children's Jewelry Safety Act."

7   **23-24.11-2. Definitions. –** (a) "Children's jewelry" means jewelry designed or intended

8   primarily for use by children twelve (12) years of age or younger to be worn as an item of

9   personal ornamentation, and does not include:

10   (1) Toys or other products intended for use when a child plays;

11   (2) Accessories;

12   (3) Apparel;

13   (4) Footwear; or

14   (5) Any other product whose purpose is primarily functional and not ornamental.

15   (b) "ASTM F 2923-11" means the ASTM (American Society for Testing and Materials)

16   International Standard Specification for Consumer Product Safety for Children's Jewelry in effect

17   on January 1, 2012.

18   **23-24.11-3. Requirements. –** All children's jewelry manufactured one hundred eighty

1   (180) days after the effective date of this act shall meet the requirements of ASTM F 2923-11.

2   **23-24.11-4. Duration. –** The provisions of this chapter shall remain in effect until a

3   superseding federal standard for children's jewelry takes effect.

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

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EXPLANATION

BY THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

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SAFETY ACT

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1   This act would require children's jewelry to conform to standards promulgated by the

2   American Society for Testing and Materials.

3   This act would take effect upon passage.

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