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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2022

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RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES -- TRESPASS AND VANDALISM

Introduced By: Senators Ciccone, Lombardo, and F Lombardi

Date Introduced: March 01, 2022

Referred To: Senate Judiciary

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 11-44-12 of the General Laws in Chapter 11-44 entitled "Trespass
2 and Vandalism" is hereby amended to read as follows:

3 **11-44-12. Injury to public property.**

4 Every person who shall willfully cut ~~or deface~~ or otherwise injure any public building or
5 fence or other property shall be fined not less than one hundred dollars (\$100) unless the amount
6 of damage exceeds one hundred dollars (\$100). If that amount shall exceed one hundred dollars
7 (\$100), then he or she shall be punished by a fine which is not less than three (3) times the amount
8 of the damage nor more than five hundred dollars (\$500), or imprisonment not exceeding one year,
9 or both, and, in addition to any sentence, shall be ordered to make restitution in the full amount of
10 damage done.

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

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EXPLANATION
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- 1 This act would remove the phrase "or deface" from the prohibited acts relative to malicious
- 2 damage to public property.
- 3 This act would take effect upon passage.

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