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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2007

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RELATING TO EDUCATION - HEALTH AND SAFETY OF PUPILS

Introduced By: Representatives Williams, and Segal

Date Introduced: February 07, 2007

Referred To: House Health, Education & Welfare

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Chapter 16-21 of the General Laws entitled "Health and Safety of Pupils" is
2 hereby amended by adding thereto the following section:

3 **16-21-21.1. Penalties for drug, alcohol or weapons offenses.** – The discipline of any
4 public school student for violating a school policy relating to the possession or use of alcohol,
5 drugs or weapons not described in section 16-21-18 of this chapter, shall be imposed on a case-
6 by-case basis pursuant to guidelines developed and promulgated by the school committee for that
7 district. The guidelines and any discipline imposed shall take into account the nature and
8 circumstances of the violation and the applicability of any federal laws governing students with
9 disabilities.

10 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 that the discipline for any public school student who is in
2 possession or use of alcohol, drugs or weapons, would be imposed on a case-by-case basis
3 pursuant to guidelines promulgated by the school committee for that district.

4 This act would take effect upon passage.

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