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# STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

#### IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

#### JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2014

#### AN ACT

#### RELATING TO COURTS AND CIVIL PROCEDURE--PROCEDURE IN PARTICULAR ACTIONS -- POST-CONVICTION REMEDY

Introduced By: Representatives Craven, Handy, Lombardi, O'Neill, and Martin

Date Introduced: January 29, 2014

Referred To: House Judiciary

(Judiciary)

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 10-9.1-9 of the General Laws in Chapter 10-9.1 entitled "Post

2 Conviction Remedy" is hereby amended to read as follows:

- 10-9.1-9. Appeal. -- A final judgment entered in a proceeding brought under this chapter
- 4 shall be appealable to the supreme court in the same manner and subject to the same requirements
- 5 as a final judgment in a civil action. An aggrieved party may seek review of a final judgment
- 6 entered in a proceeding brought under this chapter by filing a petition for writ of certiorari in
- 7 accordance with the supreme court rules of appellate procedure within sixty (60) days of the entry
- 8 of the final judgment.

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SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon passage.

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#### **EXPLANATION**

#### BY THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

#### OF

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1 This act would provide that supreme court review of final judgments in post-conviction

2 relief proceedings be sought by the filing of a petition for writ of certiorari in accordance with the

3 supreme court rules of appellate procedure within sixty (60) days of the entry of final judgment.

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This act would take effect upon passage.

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