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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2017

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RELATING TO PUBLIC RECORDS -- 38 STUDIOS, LLC

Introduced By: Representatives Lima, Costantino, Serpa, Fellela, and Coughlin

Date Introduced: February 02, 2017

Referred To: House Judiciary

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Chapter 38-2 of the General Laws entitled "Access to Public Records" is
2 hereby amended by adding thereto the following section:

3 **38-2-16. 38 Studios, LLC investigation.**

4 Notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter or state law, any investigatory
5 records generated or obtained by the Rhode Island state police or the Rhode Island attorney
6 general in conducting an investigation surrounding the funding of 38 Studios, LLC by the Rhode
7 Island economic development corporation shall be made available to the public; provided,
8 however:

9 (1) With respect to records that are not public records pursuant to title 38, and which
10 records were provided to a grand jury for its investigation of this matter, the approval of the
11 presiding justice of the Superior Court shall be required for release of those records, in full or in
12 redacted form, and the provisions of §12-11.1-5.1 shall not apply to information disclosed
13 pursuant to this section; and

14 (2) With respect to all other investigatory records that this section does not permit the
15 release of, and birthdates, social security numbers, home addresses, financial account number(s)
16 of similarly sensitive personally-identifiable information, but not including the names of the
17 individuals themselves, collected as part of the investigation, shall be redacted from those records
18 prior to any release.

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

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EXPLANATION
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1 This act would provide for the release of certain records pertaining to the investigation of
2 38 Studios, LLC.

3 This act would take effect upon passage.

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