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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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RELATING TO COURTS AND CIVIL PROCEDURE - COURTS -- COURT
ADMINISTRATION

Introduced By: Senators McCaffrey, Lombardi, Archambault, Conley, and Nesselbush

Date Introduced: March 15, 2017

Referred To: Senate Judiciary

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 8-15-9.3 of the General Laws in Chapter 8-15 entitled "Court
2 Administration" is hereby amended to read as follows:

3 **8-15-9.3. Public inspection of court payments owed.**

4 (a) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the director of the finance section on a
5 quarterly basis shall prepare a list of the one hundred (100) delinquent persons who owe the
6 largest amount of court imposed or court related fees, fines, court costs, assessments, charges
7 and/or any other monetary obligations due and owing to the state which have been unpaid for a
8 period in excess of ninety (90) days from the date that any such amounts were due and are not the
9 subject of a court-ordered payment plan in good standing. (The above fees are hereinafter referred
10 to as "Overdue Court Fees".) The list shall contain the name, city or town and state of each person
11 who owes Overdue Court Fees as of the end of the quarter, together with the total amount owed,
12 and the date of disposition. No person owing Overdue Court Fees shall be included on such list if
13 the underlying matter in which Overdue Court Fees were imposed, or the amount of the fees, is
14 the subject of an appeal.

15 (b) [Deleted by P.L. 2016, ch. 35, § 1 and P.L. 2016, ch. 36, § 1].

16 (c) Any such list prepared by the director of finance shall be available to the public for
17 inspection and shall be published on the website that is maintained by the courts; provided,
18 however, that any such list prepared by the director shall not include any individual's social

1 security number or driver's license number.

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

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EXPLANATION
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1 This act would limit the judiciary's publicly available list of delinquent persons to the one
2 hundred (100) delinquent persons owing the largest amount of court imposed or court related
3 fees, and other monetary obligations which have been unpaid for a period in excess of ninety (90)
4 days.

5 This act would take effect upon passage.

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