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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2018

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RELATING TO PUBLIC RECORDS -- ACCESS TO PUBLIC RECORDS

Introduced By: Representatives Filippi, Chippendale, Marshall, McEntee, Lombardi,
and Hull

Date Introduced: February 28, 2018

Referred To: House Judiciary

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 38-2-3.1 of the General Laws in Chapter 38-2 entitled "Access to
2 Public Records" is hereby amended to read as follows:

3 **38-2-3.1. Records required.**

4 (a) All records required to be maintained pursuant to this chapter shall not be replaced or
5 supplemented with the product of a "real-time translation reporter".

6 (b) Notwithstanding any other provisions of this chapter, all electronic data which must
7 be retained to comply with the requirements of this chapter, shall be converted into a form which
8 is readily and easily retrievable by government officials in order to enable them to comply with a
9 records request made pursuant to this chapter.

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 require government officials to convert all electronic data retained in
2 compliance with the access to public records act, into a form readily and easily retrievable to
3 enable them to comply with a records request.

4 This act would take effect upon passage.

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