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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2018

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RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY - LICENSING OF HEALTH CARE FACILITIES -
INFLUENZA IMMUNIZATION

Introduced By: Senators Lynch Prata, McCaffrey, Miller, Metts, and Nesselbush

Date Introduced: February 01, 2018

Referred To: Senate Health & Human Services

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Chapter 23-17 of the General Laws entitled "Licensing of Health-Care
2 Facilities" is hereby amended by adding thereto the following section:

3 **23-17-64. Influenza immunization.**

4 Between October 1 and March 1 of each year, each hospital shall offer, prior to
5 discharge, immunizations against influenza virus to all inpatients sixty-five (65) years of age and
6 older, unless contraindicated, and contingent upon the availability of the vaccine, in accordance
7 with the latest recommendations of the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices of the
8 Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

9 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 hospitals to offer immunization against influenza virus to all
- 2 inpatients sixty-five (65) years of age or older from October to March of the following year.
- 3 This act would take effect upon passage.

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