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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2018

AN ACT

RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSE - DUELING AND FIGHTING

Introduced By: Senators Paolino, Nesselbush, Pearson, and Sosnowski

Date Introduced: March 20, 2018

Referred To: Senate Judiciary

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 11-12-3 of the General Laws in Chapter 11-12 entitled "Dueling and Fighting" is hereby repealed.

11-12-3. Duel without state resulting in death within state.

Every person, being an inhabitant of or resident in this state, who shall fight a duel outside the jurisdiction of this state, by previous appointment or engagement made within this state, and in the duel shall inflict a mortal wound upon any person of which the person so injured shall afterwards die within this state, shall be deemed to be guilty of murder within this state and may be indicted or charged by information, tried, convicted and sentenced in the county in which the death shall happen.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon passage.

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EXPLANATION

BY THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

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This act would repeal § 11-12-3 of the general laws that prohibits a Rhode Island resident from engaging in a duel outside the state that results in a mortal wound.

This act would take effect upon passage.

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