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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2019

AN ACT

RELATING TO COMMERCIAL LAW - GENERAL REGULATORY PROVISIONS - DECEPTIVE TRADE PRACTICES

Introduced By: Representatives Ackerman, Shekarchi, Edwards, McNamara, and

Blazejewski

Date Introduced: January 11, 2019

Referred To: House Corporations

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. Chapter 6-13.1 of the General Laws entitled "Deceptive Trade Practices" is
- 2 hereby amended by adding thereto the following section:
- 3 <u>6-13.1-30. Cash payment for retail purchases.</u>
- 4 <u>It shall be a deceptive trade practice in violation of this chapter for any retail</u>
- 5 establishment offering goods or services for sale to discriminate against a prospective customer
- 6 by requiring the use of credit for purchase of goods or services. All retail establishments shall
- 7 <u>accept legal tender currency when offered as payment.</u>
- 8 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 require retail establishments to accept cash in payment for goods and services.

This act would take effect upon passage.