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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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RELATING TO EDUCATION -- FEDERAL AID

Introduced By: Representatives Vella-Wilkinson, Millea, Corvese, O'Brien, and
Casimiro

Date Introduced: January 31, 2019

Referred To: House Health, Education & Welfare

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1 1. Chapter 16-8 of the General Laws entitled "Federal Aid [See Title 16 Chapter 97 - The
2 Rhode Island Board of Education Act]" is hereby amended by adding thereto the following
3 section:

4 **16-8-16. Access to secondary schools and information on students by military**
5 **recruiters.**

6 (a) Each municipal or regional school department in this state that receives federal
7 assistance under the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965: H.R. 2362, 89th Cong., 1st
8 Sess., Public Law 89-10. Reports, Bills, Debate and Act. [Washington]: [U.S. Govt. Print. Off.],
9 1965. Print. Referred to herein as "ESEA" shall:

10 (1) Provide military recruiters with the same access to secondary school students as they
11 provide generally to postsecondary educational institutions and/or to prospective employers for
12 recruitment purposes.

13 (2) Upon a request made by military recruiters for military recruiting purposes, provide
14 access to the names, addresses, and telephone listings of secondary school students.

15 (b) A municipal or regional school department in this state may not release a student's
16 name, address, and telephone listing under subsection (a)(2) of this section without the prior
17 written consent of a parent of the student if the student, or a parent of the student, has submitted a
18 request that the student's information not be released pursuant to § 8528 of ESEA. Each
19 municipal or regional school department shall notify parents of the rights referenced in this

1 [subsection.](#)

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

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EXPLANATION
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- 1 This act would require the same access to high school students by military recruiters
- 2 enjoyed by other private recruiters to postsecondary institutions and/or to prospective employers.
- 3 This act would take effect upon passage.

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