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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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RELATING TO MOTOR VEHICLES - LIGHTING EQUIPMENT

Introduced By: Representatives Canario, Noret, Morin, Vella-Wilkinson, and Edwards

Date Introduced: January 22, 2020

Referred To: House Judiciary

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1           SECTION 1. Section 31-24-27 of the General Laws in Chapter 31-24 entitled "Lighting  
2     Equipment and Reflectors" is hereby amended to read as follows:

3           **31-24-27. Display of lighted lamps required.**

4           (a) At all times specified in § 31-24-1, at least two (2) lighted lamps shall be displayed  
5     one on each side at the front of every motor vehicle other than a motorcycle or motor-driven  
6     cycle, except when the vehicle is parked subject to the regulations governing lights on parked  
7     vehicles.

8           (b) Front lighted lamps displayed in the front of every motor vehicle provided as original  
9     equipment from the manufacturer shall not be replaced by different lamps that project a beam of  
10    light greater than the intensity of the original equipment.

11          (c) Violations of this section are subject to fines enumerated in § 31-41.1-4.

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

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EXPLANATION  
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- 1           This act would prohibit the replacement of original equipment from manufacturer front
- 2 light lamps that project a beam of light greater than the intensity of the original lamps.
- 3           This act would take effect upon passage.

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