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# STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

#### IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

### **JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2020**

### AN ACT

#### RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS - PHYSICAL THERAPISTS

<u>Introduced By:</u> Senators Gallo, Satchell, Conley, and Lombardo

Date Introduced: February 04, 2020

Referred To: Senate Education

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

- SECTION 1. Chapter 5-40 of the General Laws entitled "Physical Therapists" is hereby amended by adding thereto the following section:
- 3 <u>5-40-23. Physical therapy in a school setting.</u>
- 4 A physical therapist licensed under this chapter may perform physical therapy services
- 5 without a prescription or referral, when providing physical therapy services in a school setting to
- 6 a student in accordance with the provisions of the student's individualized education plan (IEP) or
- 7 <u>individualized family service plan (IFSP).</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 authorize a licensed physical therapist to perform physical therapy
services to a student while in school without a prescription or referral, in accordance with the
student's IEP or IFSP.

This act would take effect upon passage.

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