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**STATE OF RHODE ISLAND**

**IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY**

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

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RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- VITAL RECORDS

Introduced By: Senators Paolino, Pearson, Rogers, de la Cruz, and Raptakis

Date Introduced: February 13, 2020

Referred To: Senate Judiciary

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1           SECTION 1. Chapter 23-3 of the General Laws entitled "Vital Records" is hereby  
2 amended by adding thereto the following section:

3           **23-3-16.1. Additional duties of funeral directors.**

4           Upon the filing of the death certificate pursuant to § 23-3-16, the funeral directors, their  
5 duly authorized agents or persons acting as agents shall file written or electronic notification of  
6 the name, date of birth and address of the deceased with the office of the secretary of state and the  
7 board of canvassers of the city or town in accordance with the address listed on the death  
8 certificate, for the purpose of removal of the deceased from the rolls of registered voters.

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

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EXPLANATION  
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1           This act would require funeral directors or their duly authorized agents, upon the filing of  
2 a death certificate, to file written or electronic notification of the name and address of the  
3 deceased with the office of the secretary of state and the board of canvassers, in accordance with  
4 what is listed on the death certificate, for the purpose of removal of the deceased from the roles of  
5 registered voters.

6           This act would take effect upon passage.

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