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## STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

#### IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

#### JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2021

#### AN ACT

# RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS -- PERMANENT REPLACEMENT EMPLOYEES

Introduced By: Senators Mack, Acosta, Calkin, Anderson, Bell, Miller, and Murray Date Introduced: March 04, 2021

Referred To: Senate Labor

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. Chapter 28-10 of the General Laws entitled "Labor Disputes" is hereby
- 2 amended by adding thereto the following section:
- 3 <u>28-10-3.1. Prohibition against the permanent replacement of striking employees.</u>
- 4 (a) No employer shall grant or offer to grant the status of permanent replacement employee
- 5 to a person performing bargaining unit work for an employer during a strike of employees in a labor
- 6 organization, authorized by a representative of employees or after the end of the strike.
- 7 (b) No employer shall grant or offer to grant the status of permanent replacement employee
- 8 to a person for engaging or participating in a secondary strike or other protest activities in solidarity
- 9 with other striking workers.
- 10 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon passage.

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#### **EXPLANATION**

#### BY THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

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- 1 This act would prohibit an employer from permanently replacing an employee who has
- 2 participated or honored a union authorized strike.
  - This act would take effect upon passage.

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