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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2022

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RELATING TO COMMERCIAL LAW -- GENERAL REGULATORY PROVISIONS --  
FILING OF ASSUMED NAME

Introduced By: Senator Dawn M. Euer

Date Introduced: March 10, 2022

Referred To: Senate Judiciary

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 6-1-1 of the General Laws in Chapter 6-1 entitled "Filing of Assumed  
2 Name" is hereby amended to read as follows:

3 **6-1-1. Filing of business name required.**

4 No person or persons shall carry on or conduct or transact business in this state under any  
5 assumed name, or under any designation, name, or style, corporate or otherwise, other than the real  
6 name or names of the individual or individuals conducting or transacting business, unless the person  
7 or persons shall file, in [person, by mail or electronically with](#) the office of the town or city clerk in  
8 the town or city in which the person or persons conduct or transact, or intend to conduct or transact,  
9 business, a certificate stating the name under which the business is, or is to be, conducted or  
10 transacted, and the true or real full name or names, both the first name and surname, of the person  
11 or persons conducting or transacting the business, with the post office address or addresses of the  
12 person or persons. ~~The certificate shall be executed and sworn to by the person or persons so~~  
13 ~~conducting or intending to conduct the business, before some person authorized to administer oaths,~~  
14 [and the email address of the person or persons.](#)

15 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect on January 1, 2023.

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EXPLANATION  
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1           This act would require individuals transacting business in this state under any assumed  
2 name to file in person, by mail, or electronically with the office of the city or town clerk the true or  
3 real full name(s) of the person or persons transacting business and their email address.

4           This act would take effect on January 1, 2023.

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