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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2024

AN ACT

RELATING TO PROPERTY -- BY POSSESSION AND PRESCRIPTION

Introduced By: Senators Gu, Valverde, and Euer

Date Introduced: March 01, 2024

Referred To: Senate Judiciary

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

- SECTION 1. Section 34-7-4 of the General Laws in Chapter 34-7 entitled "By Possession
- 2 and Prescription" is hereby repealed.
- 3 <u>34-7-4. Right of footway denied.</u>
- 4 No right of footway, except claimed in connection with a right to pass with carriages, shall
- 5 be acquired by prescription or adverse use for any length of time.
- 6 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon passage.

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EXPLANATION

BY THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

OF

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1	This act would repeal the provisions of § 34-7-4 which provides that no right of footway.
2	except claimed in connection with a right to pass with carriages, could be acquired by prescription
3	or adverse use for any length of time. This act would effectively eliminate the statutory prohibition
4	against acquiring a right of footway by adverse possession.
5	This act would take effect upon passage.
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