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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2012

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RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY - GENERATION - TRANSPORTATION -
STORAGE - TREATMENT - MANAGEMENT AND DISPOSAL OF REGULATED
MEDICAL WASTE

Introduced By: Representative Arthur J. Corvese

Date Introduced: February 02, 2012

Referred To: House Environment and Natural Resources

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Chapter 23-19.12 of the General Laws entitled "Generation -
2 Transportation - Storage - Treatment - Management and Disposal of Regulated Medical Waste" is
3 hereby amended by adding thereto the following section:

4 **23-19.12-10.1. Hospitals and pharmacies.** – [Notwithstanding any provision of law to](#)
5 [the contrary contained in any general or public law, rule or regulation, hospitals and pharmacies](#)
6 [shall provide for public use containers for the collection of sharps as defined in subparagraph 23-](#)
7 [19.12-3\(7\)\(iii\)\(D\).](#)

8 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 require all hospitals and pharmacies to provide sharps containers for
- 2 public use.
- 3 This act would take effect upon passage.

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