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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2012

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RELATING TO CRIMINAL PROCEDURES - CRIMINAL INJURIES COMPENSATION

Introduced By: Representative Agostinho F. Silva

Date Introduced: February 28, 2012

Referred To: House Finance

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 12-25-29 of the General Laws in Chapter 12-25 entitled "Criminal
2 Injuries Compensation" is hereby amended to read as follows:

3 **12-25-29. Use of funds to inform victims of their rights.** -- There is appropriated to the
4 annual budget of the administrative office of the state courts fifteen percent (15%) of the fund
5 collected annually under section 12-25-28, ~~not to exceed fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000),~~ not to
6 exceed one hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$150,000), to be used at the direction of the chief
7 justice of the supreme court for the purpose of informing the victims of crime of their rights
8 established by chapter 28 of this title and assisting victims in the exercise of these rights. In
9 addition, the treasurer and administrator shall seek to inform victims of violent crime of this
10 chapter using every available means at their disposal.

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

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EXPLANATION
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1 This act would change the amount appropriated to the annual budget of the administrative
2 office of the state courts to an amount not to exceed one hundred fifty thousand dollars
3 (\$150,000).

4 This act would take effect upon passage.

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