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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2012

AN ACT

RELATING TO FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS -- CHECK CASHING

Introduced By: Senator William A. Walaska

<u>Date Introduced:</u> February 15, 2012

Referred To: Senate Corporations

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows: 1 SECTION 1. Section 19-14.4-3 of the General Laws in Chapter 19-14.4 entitled "Check 2 Cashing" is hereby amended to read as follows: 19-14.4-3. Rules and regulations. -- (a) The director or the director's designee is 3 4 authorized, directed and empowered to promulgate regulations that provide for the safety and 5 security of customers of the licensee, and/or its employees, from robbery or other criminal activities to include, but not be limited to, bulletproof glass and steel partitions appropriate 6 7 security measures. 8 (b) The rules and regulations, in addition to any other provisions as the director or the 9 director's designee may require, must provide that licensees maintain: (1) Continuously, for each licensed premises, liquid assets of at least ten thousand dollars 10 11 (\$10,000); 12 (2) A cash sheet which must be prepared daily for each day's business reflecting all

- (2) A cash sheet which must be prepared daily for each day's business reflecting all transactions for that day;
- 14 (3) A money order register recording the date issued, money order number, amount and 15 date paid. In lieu of the money order register, a copy of the money order may be kept when 16 carbonized type money orders are used;
- 17 (4) Insurance issued by an insurance company or indemnity company, authorized to do
 18 business under the laws of this state, which shall insure the applicant against loss by theft,
 19 burglary, robbery or forgery in principal sum, as determined by the director or the director's

- designee, which shall in no event be less than ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) nor more than one
- 2 hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000). The required amounts shall bear a relationship to the liquid
- 3 assets on hand at the licensed location; and
- 4 (5) An adequate written policy and affirmative program to insure compliance with state
- 5 and federal money laundering statutes.
- 6 (6) An adequate written policy and affirmative program to provide for the safety and
- 7 protection of customers and employees of licensed check cashing businesses.
- 8 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 direct, and empower the director of the department of business regulation 2 in his or her discretion to require appropriate security measures for the safety of customers and 3 employees at licensed check cashing facilities. 4 This act would take effect upon passage. LC00730