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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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RELATING TO PROBATE PRACTICE AND PROCEDURE - LIMITED GUARDIANSHIP
AND GUARDIANSHIP OF ADULTS

Introduced By: Senators Jabour, Bates, and Lynch

Date Introduced: March 01, 2012

Referred To: Senate Judiciary

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 33-15-26.1 of the General Laws in Chapter 33-15 entitled "Limited
2 Guardianship and Guardianship of Adults" is hereby amended to read as follows:

3 **33-15-26.1. Annual status report.** -- (a) A limited guardian or guardian with authority to
4 make decisions regarding the ward's person shall return to the probate court, in every year, the
5 annual status report, in the form as shown in section 33-15-47, regarding the status of the ward.

6 The report shall include the following information:

7 (1) The residence of the ward;

8 (2) The condition of the ward;

9 (3) Any changes the limited guardian or guardian perceives in the decision making
10 capacity of the ward; and

11 (4) A summary of actions taken and decisions made on behalf of the ward by the limited
12 guardian or guardian.

13 (b) The probate court shall monitor each limited guardianship or guardianship file. If the
14 court finds that the required annual status report has not been filed, the court shall cite the limited
15 guardian or guardian and demand that the status report be filed within thirty (30) days.

16 (c) The probate court may waive the requirement of an annual status report, if, in its
17 discretion, such waiver is warranted.

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

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EXPLANATION
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- 1 This act would allow the probate court to waive the requirement of an annual status
- 2 report, if warranted.
- 3 This act would take effect upon passage.

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