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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2013

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RELATING TO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES -- REGULATION OF SALES

Introduced By: Representatives Winfield, Hull, and Gallison

Date Introduced: February 27, 2013

Referred To: House Corporations

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Chapter 3-8 of the General Laws entitled "Regulation of Sales" is hereby
2 amended by adding thereto the following section:

3 **3-8-17. Purchase and consumption of alcoholic beverages by minors in the military.**

4 -- (a) Notwithstanding any provision of the general or public laws to the contrary, any individual
5 eighteen (18) years of age, but younger than twenty-one (21) years of age who presents a valid
6 and current military identification evidencing that the person is serving in a branch of the
7 uniformed military services of the United States may:

8 (1) Enter onto and remain on any premises licensed to sell beverages as defined in this
9 title;

10 (2) Purchase or have beverages as defined in this title served or delivered to him or her at
11 the licensed premises;

12 (3) Receive beverages as defined in this title at the licensed premises for consumption to
13 the extent permitted by the premises license; and

14 (4) Possess beverages as defined in this title on the licensed premises for his or her own
15 use to the extent possession is not inconsistent with the premises license.

16 (b) Any person who aids or assists an individual eighteen (18) years of age or older but
17 younger than twenty-one (21) years of age who is currently serving in a branch of the uniformed
18 military services of the United States in purchasing, obtaining, or possessing beverages as defined
19 in this title shall not be in violation of any provision of this chapter.

1 SECTION 2. Section 3-8-6.2 of the General Laws in Chapter 3-8 entitled "Regulation of
2 Sales" is hereby amended to read as follows:

3 **3-8-6.2. Unlawful use of identification cards.** -- (a) It is be unlawful for any person:

4 (1) To display or cause or permit to be displayed or have in his or her possession any
5 cancelled, revoked, suspended, fictitious, or fraudulently altered official Rhode Island [or United](#)
6 [States Military](#) identification card;

7 (2) To lend his or her Rhode Island [or United States Military](#) identification card to any
8 other person or knowingly permit the use of the card by another person;

9 (3) To display or represent as one's own the Rhode Island [or United States Military](#)
10 identification card of another;

11 (4) To fail or refuse to surrender to the division of motor vehicles upon lawful demand
12 any Rhode Island [or United States Military](#) identification card which has been suspended,
13 revoked, or cancelled;

14 (5) To use a false or fictitious name in any application for a Rhode Island [or United](#)
15 [States Military](#) identification card or to knowingly make a false statement or to knowingly
16 conceal a material fact or otherwise commit a fraud in any such application;

17 (6) To knowingly permit any unlawful use of his or her Rhode Island [or United States](#)
18 [Military](#) identification card; and

19 (7) To aid or assist another to fraudulently obtain a Rhode Island [or United States](#)
20 [Military](#) identification card.

21 (b) Any violation of subdivisions (a)(1) through (a)(7) of this section is punishable as a
22 misdemeanor.

23 SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon passage.

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EXPLANATION
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1 This act would permit any person over eighteen (18) years of age and under twenty-one
2 (21) years of age who is currently serving in the uniformed services of the United States military
3 to consume alcoholic beverages.

4 This act would take effect upon passage.

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