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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2013

AN ACT

RELATING TO FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS -- COMMUNITY OBLIGATIONS AND **BANKING OFFENSES**

Introduced By: Senators Sheehan, Raptakis, Nesselbush, Metts, and Crowley

Date Introduced: March 06, 2013

Referred To: Senate Corporations

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1	SECTION 1. Section 19-9-21.1 of the General Laws in Chapter 19-9 entitled
2	"Community Obligations and Banking Offenses" is hereby amended to read as follows:
3	<u>19-9-21.1. Fee disclosure by banks, credit unions and other financial institutions. –</u>
4	(a) Any bank, credit union, or other financial institution doing business in this state, shall display
5	a notice that enumerates that there may be charges imposed by the institution of which the

- 6 customer may not be aware.
- 7 (b) No bank, credit union or other financial institution doing business in this state shall:
- 8 (1) Assess a fee if the aggregate amount of overdraft is less than ten dollars (\$10.00) in

9 one calendar day; and

- 10 (2) Assess more than three (3) overdraft fees in one calendar day, unless the per day aggregate amount overdrawn exceeds one hundred dollars (\$100). 11
- 12 (c) Any bank, credit union, or other financial institution doing business in this state shall
- 13 offer customers a program to "opt in" which stops reordering transactions from largest to
- 14 smallest.
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- 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 limit the amounts that financial institutions may charge for non-sufficient

2 funds fees, overdraft fees, and returned check fees.

3 This act would take effect upon passage.

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