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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2015

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RELATING TO CRIMINAL PROCEDURE -- IDENTIFICATION AND APPREHENSION OF
CRIMINALS

Introduced By: Representative Anastasia P. Williams

Date Introduced: January 15, 2015

Referred To: House Judiciary

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Chapter 12-1 of the General Laws entitled "Identification and Apprehension
2 of Criminals" is hereby amended by adding thereto the following section:

3 **12-1-11.1. Maintenance and distribution of photographs and descriptive**
4 **information as to persons convicted of certain offenses.** – (a) In the case of every individual
5 who has been found guilty and sentenced, or has pleaded guilty or otherwise been convicted, of
6 any offense listed in §§ 11-8-1, 11-8-1.1, 11-8-2, 11-8-2.1, 11-8-2.2, 11-8-2.3, 11-8-2.4, 11-39-1,
7 11-39-2, 11-41-7, or 31-9-2, any photographs and descriptive information compiled by the
8 attorney general pursuant to § 12-1-11 shall be duplicated and provided to the police department
9 or law enforcement agency which arrested the individual for that criminal offense.

10 (b) Any photographs and descriptive information provided by the attorney general
11 pursuant to the provisions of subsection (a) of this section shall be maintained by the arresting
12 police department or law enforcement agency, and shall be publicly displayed by that police
13 department or agency at public places and buildings, including, but not limited to, all nonprofit
14 and other neighborhood organizations in the community in which the offense occurred.

15 (c) No photographs or descriptive information shall be distributed pursuant to the
16 provisions of subsection (b) of this section, until such time as all appeals have been exhausted and
17 the underlying criminal conviction is upheld.

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

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EXPLANATION
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1 This act would establish a community notification system in which descriptive
2 information of an individual convicted of certain offenses would be distributed in the community
3 where the offense has occurred.

4 This act would take effect upon passage.

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