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**STATE OF RHODE ISLAND**

**IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY**

**JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2016**

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RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT - DEPARTMENT OF  
TRANSPORTATION

Introduced By: Representatives Carson, Blazejewski, Ruggiero, Fogarty, and Craven

Date Introduced: January 07, 2016

Referred To: House Finance

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1           SECTION 1. Chapter 42-13 of the General Laws entitled "Department of Transportation"  
2 is hereby amended by adding thereto the following section:

3           **42-13-8. Maintenance of drainage systems - Consent decree compliance.** – [The Rhode](#)  
4 [Island department of transportation \(RI DOT\) shall, on or before December 15 of each year,](#)  
5 [provide an annual report to the speaker of the house of representatives and the president of the](#)  
6 [senate illustrating its compliance with the consent decree issued by the United States District](#)  
7 [Court in the case of United States of America v. Rhode Island Department of Transportation](#)  
8 [\(Civil Action No. CV-15-433\), which requires maintenance of drainage systems in compliance](#)  
9 [with all applicable federal, state, and local laws, ordinances or regulations.](#)

10           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 require the Rhode Island department of transportation to annually report  
2 to the speaker of the house of representatives and the president of the senate their compliance  
3 with the consent decree issued by the United States District Court relative to maintenance of  
4 certain drainage systems.

5           This act would take effect upon passage.

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