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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2018

AN ACT

RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES - ASSAULTS

Introduced By: Representatives O'Grady, and Chippendale

Date Introduced: January 24, 2018

Referred To: House Judiciary

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. Chapter 11-5 of the General Laws entitled "Assaults" is hereby amended by
- 2 adding thereto the following section:

3 **11-5-18.** Assault on a person with a developmental disability.

- 4 Any person who shall commit an assault or battery on any person with a developmental
- 5 disability as defined in § 40.1-1-8.1 shall be deemed to have committed a felony and shall be
- 6 punished by imprisonment for not more than five (5) years and a fine of not more than one
- 7 thousand dollars (\$1,000), or both.
- 8 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 make it a felony to commit an assault on a person with developmental
- 2 disabilities.
- 3 This act would take effect upon passage.

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