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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES -- SEXUAL ASSAULT

Introduced By: Representatives Marszalkowski, Casimiro, Tanzi, Ranglin-Vassell, and Phillips

Date Introduced: January 31, 2018

Referred To: House Judiciary

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 11-37-6 of the General Laws in Chapter 11-37 entitled "Sexual
2 Assault" is hereby amended to read as follows:

3 **11-37-6. Third degree sexual assault.**

4 (a) Definitions. For purposes of this chapter, "custodian" means any person in any
5 profession who has custody or control of any minor between the ages of fourteen (14) and
6 eighteen (18) by virtue of their employment or any other person who acts in loco parentis of any
7 such child.

8 (b) A person is guilty of third degree sexual assault if:

9 (1) They are ~~he or she is~~ over the age of eighteen (18) years and engaged in sexual
10 penetration with another person over the age of fourteen (14) years and under the age of consent,
11 sixteen (16) years of age; or

12 (2) They are custodian of any child that is between the ages of fourteen (14) and eighteen
13 (18) and engage in sexual penetration or sexual contact with any child in their custody, control or
14 supervision.

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

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EXPLANATION
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1 This act would make it illegal for any custodian of a child to engage in sexual penetration
2 or sexual contact with any child under their supervision if said child is between the ages of
3 fourteen (14) and eighteen (18).

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