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# STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

#### IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

#### **JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2018**

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### AN ACT

### RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES -- MOTOR VEHICLE OFFENSES

Introduced By: Representatives Amore, Fogarty, Canario, and Cunha

Date Introduced: February 09, 2018

Referred To: House Judiciary

(Attorney General) It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows: SECTION 1. Chapter 31-27 of the General Laws entitled "Motor Vehicle Offenses" is hereby amended by adding thereto the following section: 31-27-6.1. Driving under the influence of liquor or drugs, resulting in non-serious bodily injury. (a) When the non-serious bodily injury of any person other than the operator is caused by the operation of any motor vehicle, the operator of which is under the influence of any intoxicating liquor, toluene, or any controlled substance as defined in chapter 28 of title 21 or any combination of these, the person so operating the vehicle shall be guilty of driving under the influence of liquor or drugs, resulting in non-serious bodily injury. (b) As used in this section, "non-serious bodily injury" means bodily injury that is not serious bodily injury as defined in § 31-27-2.6. (c) Any person charged with a violation of this section shall, upon conviction, be imprisoned for not more than three (3) years and have their license to operate a motor vehicle suspended for not more than one year.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon passage.

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## EXPLANATION

## BY THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

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This act would create a new criminal offense of driving under the influence resulting in non-serious bodily injury.

This act would take effect upon passage.

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