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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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RELATING TO PUBLIC UTILITIES AND CARRIERS -- EXCAVATION NEAR
UNDERGROUND UTILITY FACILITIES -- COSTS

Introduced By: Senators P Fogarty, and Nesselbush

Date Introduced: February 01, 2018

Referred To: Senate Commerce

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Chapter 39-1.2 of the General Laws entitled "Excavation Near
2 Underground Utility Facilities" is hereby amended by adding thereto the following section:

3 **39-1.2-15. Costs associated with relocation of public utility poles during public**
4 **works construction projects.**

5 Any and all costs incurred by any municipality as a result of the temporary or permanent
6 relocation of any public utility poles, during the repair, maintenance, construction or
7 reconstruction within any municipal right-of-way shall be borne exclusively by the public utility.

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 require that all costs incurred by municipal corporations associated with
2 the temporary or permanent relocation public utility poles during public works projects within
3 municipal rights-of-way be borne by the public utility.

4 This act would take effect upon passage.

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