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# STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

#### IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

#### **JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2021**

## AN ACT

#### RELATING TO FISH AND WILDLIFE -- HUNTING AND HUNTING SAFETY

Introduced By: Representative David A. Bennett

Date Introduced: January 25, 2021

Referred To: House Environment and Natural Resources

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 20-13-12 of the General Laws in Chapter 20-13 entitled "Hunting

2 and Hunting Safety" is hereby amended to read as follows:

#### 20-13-12. Reports of hunting injuries.

4 Every person <u>causing</u> <u>who sustains</u> an injury to <u>themselves or causes injury to another</u> <u>a</u>

5 human being by gunfire while hunting or trapping; or inflicting an injury upon himself or herself

6 with firearms while hunting; or inflicting an injury upon himself or herself while trapping shall

7 make a report to the department of environmental management immediately within seventy two

8 (72) hours after the injury, unless that person is physically incapable of making the required report,

in which event it is the duty of that person to designate some other person to file the report within

10 the specified time.

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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 require any person who sustains an injury to themselves or causes an injury to another while hunting or trapping to report the injury to the department of environmental management immediately.

This act would take effect upon passage.

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