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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2023

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RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- THE DEPARTMENT OF
HOUSING

Introduced By: Representatives Diaz, Slater, Edwards, Perez, Noret, Vella-Wilkinson,
Batista, Abney, Biah, and Azzinaro

Date Introduced: January 19, 2023

Referred To: House Municipal Government & Housing

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 42-64.34-2 of the General Laws in Chapter 42-64.34 entitled "The
2 Department of Housing" is hereby amended to read as follows:

3 **42-64.34-2. Powers and duties.**

4 The secretary of housing shall have all powers and duties as follows:

5 (1) Pursuant ~~pursuant~~ to § 42-64.19-3(a)(4); and

6 (2) Creation of a written guide for consumers relating to the rights and duties of landlords

7 and tenants pursuant to chapter 18 of title 34, which the secretary shall update at minimum on an

8 biennial basis. The guide shall be posted on the website of the department of housing and shall be

9 published in both English and Spanish.

10 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect January 1, 2024.

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EXPLANATION
BY THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL
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- 1 This act would require the secretary of housing to create a consumer guide of landlord-
- 2 tenant laws to be updated biennially.
- 3 This act would take effect January 1, 2024.

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