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**STATE OF RHODE ISLAND**

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2023

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RELATING TO PUBLIC UTILITIES AND CARRIERS -- RHODE ISLAND PUBLIC  
TRANSIT AUTHORITY

Introduced By: Representative David P. Morales

Date Introduced: February 21, 2023

Referred To: House Corporations

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1           SECTION 1. Chapter 39-18 of the General Laws entitled "Rhode Island Public Transit  
2 Authority" is hereby amended by adding thereto the following section:

3           **39-18-25. Bus benches.**

4           The authority shall conduct a study exploring the feasibility of installing as many benches  
5 in front of the authority's bus stops as possible. The report shall be completed by March 1, 2024,  
6 with its recommendations and the estimated costs and transmitted to the governor and the house  
7 and senate finance committees.

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 the Rhode Island Public Transit Authority (RIPTA) to conduct a
- 2 study on the feasibility of installing as many benches as possible in front of RIPTA bus stops with
- 3 its report due on March 1, 2024.
- 4           This act would take effect upon passage.

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