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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2023

AN ACT

RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS -- CORRECTIONAL OFFICERS ARBITRATION

Introduced By: Senators Ciccone, Britto, DiPalma, F. Lombardi, and Tikoian

Date Introduced: March 23, 2023

Referred To: Senate Labor

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 28-9.7-3 of the General Laws in Chapter 28-9.7 entitled "Correctional
- 2 Officers Arbitration" is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 3 **28-9.7-3. Definitions.**
- 4 As used in this chapter, the following terms shall, unless the context requires a different
- 5 interpretation have the following meanings:
- 6 (1) "Correctional officers" shall mean the full-time correctional officers of the state of
- Rhode Island and shall include all those job classifications, in any bargaining unit certified by the
- 8 Rhode Island state labor relations board, in which correctional officers constitute a majority of said
- 9 bargaining unit membership.
- 10 (2) "State authorities" shall mean the proper officials of the state whose duty or duties it is
- 11 to establish the wages, salaries, rates of pay, hours, working conditions, and other terms and
- 12 conditions of employment of correctional officers.
- 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 expand the definition of correctional officer, to include any bargaining unit,

 in which correctional officers constitute a majority of the bargaining unit's membership.
- This act would take effect upon passage.

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