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**STATE OF RHODE ISLAND**

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2024

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RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- COMPREHENSIVE FIRE SAFETY ACT

Introduced By: Representatives Cotter, Tanzi, Cortvriend, Carson, Fenton-Fung,  
Casimiro, Edwards, Chippendale, Speakman, and McEntee

Date Introduced: February 28, 2024

Referred To: House Environment and Natural Resources

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

- 1           SECTION 1. Chapter 23-28.01 of the General Laws entitled "Comprehensive Fire Safety  
2 Act" is hereby amended by adding thereto the following section:  
3           **23-28.01-7. Forest plan for fire mitigation.**  
4           An entity that owns five hundred (500) acres or more of land within the state shall have a  
5 forest plan with a fire mitigation component. The entity shall submit the plan to the local fire  
6 department and the department of environmental management for approval.  
7           SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon passage.

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EXPLANATION  
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- 1           This act would mandate an entity that owns five hundred acres or more of land to have a
- 2 forest plan with fire mitigation.
- 3           This act would take effect upon passage.

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