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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2024

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RELATING TO EDUCATION -- OFFENSES PERTAINING TO SCHOOLS

Introduced By: Representatives Morales, Giraldo, Tanzi, Cotter, Speakman, Potter,
Sanchez, and Caldwell

Date Introduced: April 25, 2024

Referred To: House Education

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Chapter 16-38 of the General Laws entitled "Offenses Pertaining to Schools
2 [See Title 16 Chapter 97 — The Rhode Island Board of Education Act]" is hereby amended by
3 adding thereto the following section:

4 **16-38-15. Legacy admissions.**

5 No university shall extend preferential treatment to an applicant in any manner because of
6 the student's familial relationship to a previous attendee during admissions consideration. If an
7 institution inquires about a prospective student's familial relationship to a previous attendee on an
8 application for admission, the institution shall remove or redact the prospective student's response
9 during the admissions process.

10 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 ban preferential treatment to a university applicant because of the student's
- 2 familial relationship to a previous university attendee.
- 3 This act would take effect upon passage.

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