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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2008

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RELATING TO BUSINESSES - TICKET SPECULATORS

Introduced By: Senators Tassoni, McBurney, Doyle, and Felag

Date Introduced: January 02, 2008

Referred To: Senate Judiciary

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1           SECTION 1. Section 5-22-26 of the General Laws in Chapter 5-22 entitled "Shows and  
2 Exhibitions" is hereby amended to read as follows:

3           **5-22-26. Ticket speculators.** -- No person shall sell, offer for sale, or attempt to sell any  
4 ticket, privilege, or license of admission to an entertainment event, including, but not limited to,  
5 any place of public amusement, arena, stadium, theatre, performance, sport, exhibition, or athletic  
6 contest in this state at a price greater than the price, including tax, printed on the ticket, and a  
7 reasonable service charge for services actually rendered not to exceed three dollars (\$3.00) or ten  
8 percent (10%) of the price printed on the ticket, whichever is greater. The owner or operator of  
9 the property on which an entertainment event is to be held or is being held may authorize, in  
10 writing, any person to sell a ticket, privilege, or license of admission at a price in excess of that  
11 authorized under this section. That writing shall specify the price for which the ticket, privilege,  
12 or license of admission is to be sold. [Internet sales of tickets, privileges, or licenses of admission](#)  
13 [shall not be exempt from the provisions of this section.](#) Any person violating any provision of this  
14 section is guilty of a misdemeanor and shall be fined not more than one thousand dollars (\$1,000)  
15 for each offense.

16           SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon passage.

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EXPLANATION  
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1           This act would explicitly make Internet sales of tickets for Rhode Island events subject to  
2 the ticket speculators law.

3           This act would take effect upon passage.

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