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**STATE OF RHODE ISLAND**

**IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY**

**JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2011**

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RELATING TO CRIMINAL PROCEDURE - IDENTIFICATION AND APPREHENSION OF  
CRIMINALS

Introduced By: Senators Maher, Kettle, and Pinga

Date Introduced: March 10, 2011

Referred To: Senate Judiciary

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1           SECTION 1. Chapter 12-1 of the General Laws entitled "Identification and Apprehension  
2 of Criminals" is hereby amended by adding thereto the following section:

3           **12-1-17. Verification of immigration status of incarcerated persons. --** The division of  
4 sheriffs within the department of administration shall verify the immigration status of each  
5 incarcerated person being presented to the court for any hearing related to a criminal matter  
6 before the court, unless otherwise ordered.

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

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EXPLANATION  
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- 1           This act would require the division of sheriffs to verify the immigration status of each
- 2   incarcerated person presented to the court for any hearing.
- 3           This act would take effect upon passage.

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