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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2004

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RELATING TO PUBLIC PROPERTY AND WORKERS - STATE PURCHASES

Introduced By: Senators DaPonte, Damiani, Connors, and Polisena

Date Introduced: March 02, 2004

Referred To: Senate Finance

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Chapter 37-2 of the General Laws entitled "State Purchases" is hereby
2 amended by adding thereto the following section:

3 **37-2-14.1. Prohibition against international outsourcing. - - (a) Legislative Findings .**

4 The general assembly hereby finds that international outsourcing: (1) exacerbates American
5 unemployment, workforce dislocations and deprives our residents of employment opportunities,
6 including industries and jobs the state has expended resources to attract; (2) erodes state and local
7 revenues by drawing jobs and income away; and (3) may lessen the privacy protection for our
8 state residents whose personal information may, in the course of service and product delivery, be
9 transmitted to locations outside the United States.

10 (b) The state shall not award a procurement contract for goods and services to be
11 rendered or supplied by a vendor or contractor located outside the United States. Each
12 vendor/contractor proposal to provide goods or services to the state, shall certify that services to
13 be supplied shall be performed in the United States and shall have their origin in the United
14 States.

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

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EXPLANATION
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- 1 This act would prohibit the state from purchasing goods and services that have their
- 2 origin outside of the United States or are performed outside of the United States.
- 3 This act would take effect upon passage.

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