

## CONCISE EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

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In accordance with the Administrative Procedures Act, R.I. Gen. Laws § 42-35-2.6, following is a concise explanatory statement:

**AGENCY:** DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

**DIVISION:** *(If any) N/A*

**RULE IDENTIFIER:** 290-RICR-30-006

**RULE TITLE:** ACCESS TO THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF THE RHODE ISLAND  
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

**REASON FOR RULEMAKING:** The agency made amendments which included plain language edits and statutory updates to conform to the new RI Code of Regulations.

**ANY FINDING REQUIRED BY LAW AS A PREREQUISITE TO THE  
EFFECTIVENESS OF THE RULE:** *(if any) N/A*

**TESTIMONY AND COMMENTS:** There was a comment that suggested that RIDOT decide when fee waivers would be applicable without a court determination. Because the Access to Public Records statute does not allow for such a determination by an agency, RIDOT cannot adapt such a proposal.

**CHANGE TO TEXT OF THE RULE:** Identify any changes between the text of the rule as proposed and the text of the final rule and explain why these changes were made to the final text. Note that an agency may not file a rule that differs from the rule proposed in the notice of proposed rulemaking unless the final rule is consistent with, and a logical outgrowth of, the rule proposed in the notice.

**REGULATORY ANALYSIS:** Provide the text of the regulatory analysis prepared under § 42-35-2.9.