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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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RELATING TO EDUCATION -- SCHOOL COMMITTEES AND SUPERINTENDENTS

Introduced By: Representatives Baginski, and Solomon

Date Introduced: February 17, 2023

Referred To: House Education

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 16-2-32 of the General Laws in Chapter 16-2 entitled "School
2 Committees and Superintendents [See Title 16 Chapter 97 — The Rhode Island Board of Education
3 Act]" is hereby amended to read as follows:

4 **16-2-32. Policy manual for school committee.**

5 (a) All school committees in the state will have a policy manual. The policy manual will
6 have all school committee policies in writing, properly indexed, and kept up to date. The policy
7 manuals will be a source used to govern each school system. ~~At least one policy manual will be~~
8 ~~available to the faculty and staff in each school library. At least one policy manual will be available~~
9 ~~for public reference at each administrative building and public library. Regularly updated policy~~
10 manuals shall be made available to the public on the website of each school district.

11 (b) There is appropriated the sum of one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000), from money
12 not otherwise appropriated, to the department of elementary and secondary education to implement
13 a school committee/administrator training program.

14 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 repeal the requirement that the school committee policy manual be kept in
2 the school library, public library and administrative building and require that the manual be
3 available on the school district website.

4 This act would take effect upon passage.

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