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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2023

J O I N T R E S O L U T I O N

**MAKING AN APPROPRIATION OF \$35,000 TO THE RHODE ISLAND FILM AND
TELEVISION OFFICE TO FUND A SENIOR SYSTEMS DESIGN PROGRAMMER
POSITION**

Introduced By: Representative Lauren H. Carson

Date Introduced: April 07, 2023

Referred To: House Finance

1 WHEREAS, Within the Rhode Island Council on the Arts, there is established a separate,
2 distinct office entitled the “Rhode Island film and television office.” This office was established
3 in order to promote and encourage film and television productions within the State of Rhode
4 Island and is also responsible for the review of applications of motion picture productions; and

5 WHEREAS, The film office is required to review completed certification applications in
6 order to determine whether the certification of a production meets the requisite criteria and
7 qualifications and is subsequently required to issue a notice of initial certification to the motion
8 picture production company and to the tax administrator; and

9 WHEREAS, A Senior Systems Design Programmer position was originally instituted in
10 the General Assembly’s budget a decade ago, but was cut to a part-time position by then-
11 Governor Donald Carcieri; and

12 WHEREAS, Since that time, the responsibilities of the Rhode Island film and television
13 office have increased ten-fold and the necessity to restore the position to full time is essential;
14 now, therefore be it

15 RESOLVED, That there is hereby appropriated, out of any money in the treasury not
16 otherwise appropriated for the fiscal year 2023-2024, the sum of thirty-five thousand dollars
17 (\$35,000) to the Rhode Island Film and Television Office to fund a senior systems design
18 programmer for the upcoming year; and the state controller is hereby authorized and directed to
19 draw his orders upon the general treasurer for the payment of said sum, or so much thereof as

1 may be from time to time required, upon receipt of properly authenticated vouchers.

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EXPLANATION
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- 1 This resolution would authorize the appropriation of \$35,000 to the Rhode Island Film
- 2 and Television Office to fund a full-time Senior Systems Design Programmer.

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