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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2025

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RELATING TO WATERS AND NAVIGATION -- COASTAL RESOURCES MANAGEMENT
COUNCIL

Introduced By: Senators Sosnowski, Valverde, DiMario, Gu, Britto, Pearson, and
McKenney

Date Introduced: February 07, 2025

Referred To: Senate Environment & Agriculture

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 46-23-4 of the General Laws in Chapter 46-23 entitled "Coastal
2 Resources Management Council" is hereby amended to read as follows:

3 **46-23-4. Officers of the council — Quorum and vote required for action.**

4 The governor shall select from the appointed members a chairperson and vice chairperson.
5 The council shall thereupon select a secretary from among its membership or staff. The council
6 may engage staff, including legal counsel, as it deems necessary. A quorum shall consist of six (6)
7 members of the council. A majority vote of those present shall be required for action, [except that a](#)
8 [super majority of three-fifths \(3/5\) of the duly appointed council is required to override a](#)
9 [recommendation by the coastal resources management council staff.](#)

10 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 require that a super majority of three-fifths (3/5) of the duly appointed
- 2 council is required to override a recommendation by the CRMC staff.
- 3 This act would take effect upon passage.

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