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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2021

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RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- HOUSING FOR THE ELDERLY-
-EMERGENCY GENERATORS REQUIRED

Introduced By: Representative Katherine S. Kazarian

Date Introduced: January 15, 2021

Referred To: House Health, Education & Welfare

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 42-66.9-1 of the General Laws in Chapter 42-66.9 entitled "Housing
2 for the Elderly - Emergency Generators Required" is hereby amended to read as follows:

3 **42-66.9-1. Emergency generators required.**

4 All housing for the elderly complexes, as defined in § 42-66.1-2, which are serviced by
5 one or more elevators and/or electrically powered chair lifts, and which include more than one
6 hundred (100) residential living units in a single building shall be equipped with emergency
7 generators which shall provide sufficient power to provide emergency lighting to all [dwelling units](#),
8 common areas, and a community room and power to operate the elevators and a refrigerator in a
9 common area. Generator systems shall be in accordance with the national electric code and § 23-
10 28.24-9.

11 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect on January 1, 2022.

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EXPLANATION
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1 This act would require that all housing for the elderly complexes which include more than
2 one hundred (100) residential living units provide emergency generators to provide sufficient
3 power to all common areas and the residential units in the building.

4 This act would take effect on January 1, 2022.

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