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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2012

AN ACT

RELATING TO GENERAL ASSEMBLY -- JOINT COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE SERVICES

Introduced By: Representatives Newberry, Marcello, Guthrie, Costa, and Edwards

Date Introduced: February 08, 2012

Referred To: House Finance

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

SECTION 1. Chapter 22-11 of the General Laws entitled "Joint Committee on
Legislative Services" is hereby amended by adding thereto the following section:

- 3 22-11-3.6. General assembly member health insurance benefits. Senators and
- 4 representatives of the general assembly shall pay a share of their health insurance benefits equal
- 5 to twenty percent (20%) of the cost of said benefits. Further, no senator or representative who
- 6 receives a similar taxpayer funded health care benefit from the state or any subdivision thereof, or
- 7 from any municipality of the state, shall be paid a state subsidy or emolument or waiver in lieu of
- 8 <u>his or her refusal to accept the state health care benefit.</u>
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SECTION 2. This act shall take effect the first Tuesday in January of the year 2013.

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EXPLANATION

BY THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

OF

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1 This act would require senators and representatives to pay a share for their health 2 insurance benefits equal to twenty percent (20%) of the cost of benefits and would prohibit any 3 payment for waiving health insurance benefits and would prevent those who have a similar state 4 or municipality benefit to forego any emolument in lieu thereof. 5 This act would take effect the first Tuesday in January of the year 2013.

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