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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2012

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RELATING TO EDUCATION - PRIVATE SCHOOLS

Introduced By: Representatives Kennedy, McNamara, Naughton, E Coderre, and Lally

Date Introduced: February 16, 2012

Referred To: House Health, Education & Welfare

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1           SECTION 1. Chapter 16-40 of the General Laws entitled "Private Schools" is hereby  
2 amended by adding thereto the following section:

3           **16-40-10.3. Rhode Island school of osteopathic medicine. --** [Notwithstanding any rule,](#)  
4 [regulation, or general law to the contrary Rhode Island School of Osteopathic Medicine shall be](#)  
5 [authorized to grant doctor of osteopathic medicine \(D.O.\) degrees provided that it is in](#)  
6 [compliance with regulations and standards for approval adopted by the board of governors for](#)  
7 [higher education.](#)

8           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 authorize a Rhode Island School of Osteopathic Medicine to grant doctor  
2 of osteopathic medicine (D.O.) degrees, subject to approval by the board of governors for higher  
3 education.

4           This act would take effect upon passage.

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