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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2012

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RELATING TO PROPERTY - RESIDENTIAL LANDLORD AND TENANT ACT

Introduced By: Representatives Tarro, and Dickinson

Date Introduced: February 16, 2012

Referred To: House Judiciary

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1           SECTION 1. Section 34-18-52 of the General Laws in Chapter 34-18 entitled  
2 "Residential Landlord and Tenant Act" is hereby amended to read as follows:

3           **34-18-52. Payment of rent during pendency of appeal. --** Whenever an action for the  
4 recovery of real property is pending on appeal in the superior or supreme court, the tenant in the  
5 action shall pay to the landlord sums of money equal to the rent for the premises, which the sums  
6 shall be paid at such times and in such amounts as rent would be due and payable were the action  
7 not then pending, and shall be due and payable from the date of hearing or entry of judgment,  
8 whichever is earlier. The acceptance of these sums shall not constitute a waiver of the right of the  
9 landlord to obtain possession of the premises, nor shall their receipt be deemed to reinstate the  
10 tenancy.

11           SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon passage.

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EXPLANATION  
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- 1           This act would require that a tenant, during the pendency of an appeal, pay rent due and
- 2 payable from the date of the hearing or entry of judgment, whichever is earlier.
- 3           This act would take effect upon passage.

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