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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2012

AN ACT

RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES - PROVIDENCE BUILDING CODE ENFORCEMENT

Introduced By: Representatives Diaz, Slater, Cimini, and McCauley

<u>Date Introduced:</u> February 16, 2012

Referred To: House Municipal Government

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

SECTION 1. Chapter 45-24.2 of the General Laws entitled "Minimum Housing Standards" is hereby amended by adding thereto the following section:

45-24.2-7.1. City of Providence - Nonowner occupied real estate. – Any nonowner occupied residential dwelling house in the city of Providence, which has been found to have violated the minimum housing city ordinance, adopted pursuant to chapter 28-4.2, by a court of competent jurisdiction, shall be assessed the following additional fines and sanctions. For each court found violation, that has not been corrected within ninety (90) days of the court finding, an additional one hundred dollar (\$100) fine per day shall be assessed until corrected. If the violation has not been corrected within six (6) months of its adjudication, the additional daily fee per violation shall increase to two hundred (\$200) dollars. If the violation has not been corrected within one year of its adjudication, by operation of law, the violating land owner's right, title and interest to the noncompliant residential dwelling shall be forfeited to the city of Providence.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon passage.

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EXPLANATION

BY THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

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This act would increase fees and sanctions for nonowner occupied Providence residential dwellings that violate the city's minimum housing standards.

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