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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

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RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES - SOIL EROSION AND SEDIMENT CONTROL

Introduced By: Representatives Handy, Edwards, Slater, Naughton, and Ferri

Date Introduced: February 28, 2012

Referred To: House Environment and Natural Resources

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 45-61.2-2 of the General Laws in Chapter 45-61.2 entitled "The
2 Smart Development for a Cleaner Bay Act of 2007" is hereby amended to read as follows:

3 **45-61.2-2. Implementation.** – (a) The department of environmental management
4 (DEM), in conjunction with the coastal resources management council (CRMC) shall, by July 1,
5 2008, amend the Rhode Island stormwater design & and installation standards manual. The
6 changes shall include, but not be limited to, incorporation into existing regulatory programs that
7 already include the review of stormwater impacts the following requirements:

8 (1) Maintain pre-development groundwater recharge and infiltration on site to the
9 maximum extent practicable;

10 (2) Demonstrate that post-construction stormwater runoff is controlled, and that post-
11 development peak discharge rates do not exceed pre-development peak discharge rates; and

12 (3) Use low impact-design techniques as the primary method of stormwater control to
13 the maximum extent practicable.

14 **(b) City and town ordinances and regulations may require compliance with the Rhode**
15 **Island stormwater design and installation standards manual, as amended, for any development,**
16 **redevelopment, or land disturbance.**

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

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1 This act would provide that city and town ordinances and regulations may require
2 compliance with the Rhode Island stormwater design and installation standards manual for any
3 development, redevelopment, or land disturbance.

4 This act would take effect upon passage.

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