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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2012

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RELATING TO COURTS AND CIVIL PROCEDURE - COURTS - COMMISSION ON
JUDICIAL TENURE AND DISCIPLINE

Introduced By: Representatives O'Neill, Lally, and Mattiello

Date Introduced: February 28, 2012

Referred To: House Judiciary

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 8-16-3 of the General Laws in Chapter 8-16 entitled "Commission
2 on Judicial Tenure and Discipline" is hereby amended to read as follows:

3 **8-16-3. Meetings of the commission -- Compensation.** -- (a) The commission shall
4 meet at such times and places as are necessary to discharge the duties made incumbent upon it
5 under the provisions of this chapter. It shall meet at least once a year in the month of May and
6 shall make an annual report of expenditures to the governor. ~~Eight (8)~~ Nine (9) members shall
7 constitute a quorum of the commission and determinations shall be made by a majority vote of
8 those present, except that recommendations to the supreme court shall be made by an affirmative
9 vote of at least ~~Eight (8)~~ nine (9) members of the commission.

10 (b) All commissioners shall serve without compensation; provided, however, that while
11 away from their homes or regular places of employment and engaged in carrying out their duties
12 as members of the commission, they shall be allowed travel expenses, including meals and
13 lodging, that are authorized by law for persons in the service of this state.

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

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EXPLANATION
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1 This act would increase the number required for a quorum of the Commission on Judicial
2 Tenure and Discipline and the number of affirmative votes required for a recommendation to the
3 supreme court.

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