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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

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RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY - STATE BUILDING CODE

Introduced By: Representatives Walsh, and Serpa

Date Introduced: March 15, 2012

Referred To: House Municipal Government

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1           SECTION 1. Section 23-27.3-108.2 of the General Laws in Chapter 23-27.3 entitled  
2 "State Building Code" is hereby amended to read as follows:

3           **23-27.3-108.2. State building commissioner's duties.** -- (a) This code shall be enforced  
4 by the state building commissioner as to any structures or buildings or parts thereof that are  
5 owned or are temporarily or permanently under the jurisdiction of the state or any of its  
6 departments, commissions, agencies, or authorities established by an act of the general assembly,  
7 and as to any structures or buildings or parts thereof that are built upon any land owned by or  
8 under the jurisdiction of the state.

9           (b) Permit fees for the projects shall be established by the committee. The fees shall  
10 be deposited as general revenues.

11           (c)(1) The local cities and towns shall charge each permit applicant an additional .1  
12 (.001) percent (levy) of the total construction cost for each permit issued. The levy shall be  
13 limited to a maximum of fifty dollars (\$50.00) for each of the permits issued for one and two (2)  
14 family dwellings. This additional levy shall be transmitted monthly to the building commission at  
15 the department of administration, and shall be used to staff and support the [purchase or lease and](#)  
16 [operation of a web-accessible service and/or system to be utilized by the state and municipalities](#)  
17 [for uniform, statewide electronic plan review, permit management and inspection system and](#)  
18 [other](#) programs described in this chapter. The fee levy shall be deposited as general revenues.

19           (2) [On or before July 1, 2013, the building commissioner shall develop a standard](#)

1 statewide process for plan review, permit management and inspection.

2 (3) On or before December 1, 2013, the building commissioner shall implement the  
3 standard statewide process for plan review, permit management and inspection. In addition, the  
4 building commissioner shall develop a technology and implementation plan for a standard web-  
5 accessible service and/or system to be utilized by the state and municipalities for uniform,  
6 statewide electronic plan review, permit management and inspection.

7 (d) The building commissioner shall, upon request by any state contractor described in  
8 section 37-2-38.1, review, and when all conditions for certification have been met, certify to the  
9 state controller that the payment conditions contained in section 37-2-38.1 have been met.

10 (e) The building commissioner shall submit a report to the governor and general  
11 assembly on or before April 1, 2013 and each year, thereafter, providing the status of the web-  
12 accessible service and/or system implementation and any recommendations for process or system  
13 improvement.

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

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EXPLANATION  
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1           This act would provide that a levy fee for a building permit applicant will be applied to  
2 support the purchase or lease and operation of web-accessible services which will be used by  
3 state and municipalities for statewide electronic plan review. This would be implemented by  
4 December 1, 2013.

5           This act would take effect upon passage.

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