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# STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

#### IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

#### JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2012

## AN ACT

#### RELATING TO TAXATION - PERSONAL INCOME TAX

Introduced By: Representatives Serpa, Walsh, Corvese, Keable, and Ruggiero

Date Introduced: April 10, 2012

Referred To: House Finance

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

- SECTION 1. Chapter 44-30 of the General Laws entitled "Personal Income Tax" is
  hereby amended by adding thereto the following section:
- 3 <u>44-30-2.7.1. Capital gains rates for new investments in Rhode Island businesses.</u> –
- 4 (a) All capital assets purchased after January 1, 2012 and sold after January 1, 2015 shall be
- 5 deemed to have a holding period beginning from the date of such purchase. For tax years

6 beginning in 2015, a taxpayer shall be exempt from one hundred percent (100%) of the gains

- 7 <u>from the sale of a capital asset provided:</u>
- 8 (1) The capital asset represents an ownership interest in an entity incorporated and having
- 9 its headquarters located in the state of Rhode Island;
- 10 (2) The taxpayer did not have a previous ownership interest in the entity;
- 11 (3) The capital asset was in the minimum amount of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) and
- 12 represented newly issued capital of the Rhode Island entity; and
- 13 (4) The capital asset was owned by the taxpayer for at least three (3) uninterrupted years
- 14 prior to the sale or transaction that created the capital gain.
- 15 (b) The tax administrator is authorized to promulgate rules and regulations deemed
- 16 <u>necessary for the proper administration and enforcement of this section.</u>

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#### EXPLANATION

# BY THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

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- 1 This act would provide for a capital gains tax exemption with respect to investments
- 2 made in Rhode Island businesses.
- 3 This act would take effect upon passage.

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