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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2012

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RELATING TO EDUCATION - SCHOOL COMMITTEES AND SUPERINTENDENT

Introduced By: Senators Tassoni, DiPalma, Cote, and Doyle

Date Introduced: January 18, 2012

Referred To: Senate Education

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 16-2-33.1 of the General Laws in Chapter 16-2 entitled "School  
2 Committees and Superintendents" is hereby amended to read as follows:

3 ~~16-2-33.1. City of Woonsocket -- School dress code~~ School dress code. -- ~~The~~  
4 ~~Woonsocket~~ Any school committee, in conjunction with the superintendent, may adopt a school  
5 dress code for ~~Woonsocket~~ its elementary, middle and high school students; provided, that:

6 (1) ~~the~~ The principal, staff and parents have had an opportunity to offer suggestions and  
7 comments;

8 (2) ~~the~~ The dress code shall be adopted at a time determined by the school committee,  
9 and the school committee shall give notice to the parents three (3) months before a dress code is  
10 required; and

11 (3) ~~that~~ That on days when a nationally recognized youth organization has a scheduled  
12 function students participating in this organization shall be exempt from the dress code on that  
13 day: and

14 (4) A dress code may include school uniforms.

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

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EXPLANATION  
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1           This act would authorize all school committees in the state to adopt a school dress code,  
2 including school uniforms.

3           This act would take effect upon passage.

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