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# STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

### IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

#### **JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2013**

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### AN ACT

# RELATING TO GENERAL ASSEMBLY -- JOINT COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE SERVICES

Introduced By: Representatives Newberry, Costa, Giarrusso, Chippendale, and Morgan

Date Introduced: January 30, 2013

Referred To: House Finance

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. Chapter 22-11 of the General Laws entitled "Joint Committee on
- 2 Legislative Services" is hereby amended by adding thereto the following section:
- 3 <u>22-11-3.6. General assembly member health insurance benefits.</u> <u>Senators and</u>
- 4 representatives of the general assembly shall pay a share of their health insurance benefits equal
- 5 to twenty percent (20%) of the cost of said benefits. Further, no senator or representative who
- 6 receives a similar taxpayer funded health care benefit from the state or any subdivision thereof, or
- 7 from any municipality of the state, shall be paid a state subsidy or emolument or waiver in lieu of
- 8 <u>his or her refusal to accept the state health care benefit.</u>
- 9 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect the first Tuesday in January of the year 2015.

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# EXPLANATION

# BY THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

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1	This act would require senators and representatives to pay a share for their health
2	insurance benefits equal to twenty percent (20%) of the cost of benefits and would prohibit any
3	payment for waiving health insurance benefits and would prevent those who have a similar state
4	or municipality benefit to forego any emolument in lieu thereof.
5	This act would take effect the first Tuesday in January of the year 2015.
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