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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2013

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VALIDATING AND RATIFYING AN AMENDMENT TO THE HOME RULE CHARTER OF
THE TOWN OF JOHNSTON

Introduced By: Senators Lombardo, and Archambault

Date Introduced: February 06, 2013

Referred To: Senate Housing & Municipal Government

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1 SECTION 1. In all respects in which the amendment to the Home Rule Charter of the
2 town of Johnston, which amendment was adopted and approved by the electors of the city of
3 Johnston on November 6, 2012, and which amendment provides that the length of the term for the
4 office of Mayor is four (4) years and subject to a limit of two (2) four (4) year terms in office,
5 may require ratification, confirmation, validation, or enactment by the general assembly, but in no
6 other respects, the provisions of said amendment to the Home Rule Charter of the town of
7 Johnston are hereby ratified, confirmed, validated, and enacted. It is the express intention of the
8 general assembly, by the passage of this act, to give effect to, ratify, confirm, validate, and enact
9 those provisions of the said amendment to the Home Rule Charter of the town of Johnston which
10 require ratification, confirmation, validation, or enactment and by the passage of this act, the
11 legislature does hereby ratify, confirm, validate, and enact said provisions, but nothing in this act
12 shall be construed to abrogate or impair the powers now or hereafter granted to cities and towns
13 by the Home Rule amendment and other applicable laws of the state of Rhode Island or those
14 rights retained by said town of Johnston in its Home Rule Charter.

15 SECTION 2. If any provision of this act, or the application thereof to the town of
16 Johnston or to any person or circumstances is deemed invalid for any reason, the remainder of
17 this act or the application of such provision to said city or other persons or circumstances shall
18 not be affected thereby, and to this end the provisions of this act are declared to be severable.

1 SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon passage.

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EXPLANATION
BY THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL
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1 This act would validate and ratify amendments to the Home Rule Charter of the town of
2 Johnston, which amendments were adopted and approved by the electors of the town of Johnston
3 on November 6, 2012.

4 This act would take effect upon passage.

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