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# STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

#### IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

### **JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2014**

### AN ACT

#### RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES - TOWN MEETINGS - COVENTRY

<u>Introduced By:</u> Representatives Nunes, Guthrie, Tomasso, Chippendale, and Serpa

Date Introduced: January 23, 2014

Referred To: House Judiciary

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

- SECTION 1. Chapter 45-3 of the General Laws entitled "Town Meetings" is hereby amended by adding thereto the following section:
- 3 45-3-20.1. Voting at financial town meetings Voting at financial town meetings –
- 4 Coventry. Whenever it is necessary to vote on appropriation of funds at a financial town
- 5 meeting, in the town of Coventry, there shall be no voice votes and only paper ballots or stand-up
- 6 votes shall be used so that appropriate documentation of the vote will be registered.
- 7 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon passage.

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# EXPLANATION

# BY THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

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This act would require that at all financial town meetings in the town of Coventry, only
paper ballots or stand-up votes may be used to tally the vote on appropriation of funds.

This act would take effect upon passage.

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