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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2014

HOUSE RESOLUTION

CREATING A SPECIAL LEGISLATIVE COMMISSION TO STUDY THE EFFECTS OF
SEASONAL UNEMPLOYMENT ON THE UNEMPLOYMENT TRUST FUND

Introduced By: Representatives Chippendale, Giarrusso, and Morgan

Date Introduced: February 27, 2014

Referred To: House Labor

1 RESOLVED, That a special legislative commission be and the same is hereby created
2 consisting of five (5) members: five (5) of whom shall be members of the Rhode Island House of
3 Representatives, four (4) of whom shall be appointed by the Speaker of the House, and one of
4 whom shall be appointed by the House Minority Leader.

5 In lieu of any appointment of a member of the legislature to a permanent advisory
6 commission, a legislative study commission, or any commission created by a General Assembly
7 resolution, the appointing authority may appoint a member of the general public to serve in lieu
8 of a legislator, provided that the Majority Leader or the Minority Leader of the political party
9 which is entitled to the appointment, consents to the member of the general public.

10 The purpose of said commission shall be to make a comprehensive study and analysis of
11 cross-industry subsidization based on benefits received less contributions made and to determine
12 which industries and firms routinely charge more benefits than taxes paid. The commission shall
13 make recommendations to remedy habitual usage and alter experience rates and taxable base
14 wages accordingly.

15 Forthwith upon passage of this resolution, the members of the commission shall meet at
16 the call of the Speaker of the House and organize and shall select a chairperson.

17 Vacancies in said commission shall be filled in like manner as the original appointment.

18 The membership of said commission shall receive no compensation for their services.

19 All departments and agencies of the state shall furnish such advice and information,

1 documentary and otherwise, to said commission and its agents as is deemed necessary or
2 desirable by the commission to facilitate the purposes of this resolution.

3 The Speaker of the House is hereby authorized and directed to provide suitable quarters
4 for said commission; and be it further

5 RESOLVED, That the commission shall report its findings and recommendations to the
6 House of Representatives no later than March 15, 2015, and said commission shall expire on June
7 15, 2015.

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EXPLANATION
BY THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL
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1 This resolution would create a five (5) member special legislative study commission
2 whose purpose it would be to study the effects of seasonal unemployment on the Unemployment
3 Trust Fund, and who would report back to the House of Representatives no later than March 15,
4 2015, and whose life would expire on June 15, 2015.

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