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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2015

HOUSE RESOLUTION

CREATING A SPECIAL LEGISLATIVE COMMISSION TO STUDY AND REVIEW CURRENT RULES AND REGULATIONS PERTAINING TO THE RHODE ISLAND BOARD OF MEDICAL LICENSURE & DISCIPLINE

<u>Introduced By:</u> Representatives Chippendale, Winfield, McNamara, Kennedy, and Lally <u>Date Introduced:</u> February 12, 2015 <u>Referred To:</u> House Health, Education & Welfare

1 RESOLVED, That a special legislative commission be and the same is hereby created 2 consisting of nine (9) members: five (5) of whom shall be members of the Rhode Island House of 3 Representatives, not more than four (4) from the same political party, to be appointed by the 4 Speaker of the House; and four (4) of whom shall be members of the general public, to be 5 appointed by the Speaker of the House.

6 In lieu of any appointment of a member of the legislature to a permanent advisory 7 commission, a legislative study commission, or any commission created by a General Assembly 8 resolution, the appointing authority may appoint a member of the general public to serve in lieu 9 of a legislator, provided that the Majority Leader or the Minority Leader of the political party 10 which is entitled to the appointment, consents to the member of the general public.

The purpose of said commission shall be to make a comprehensive study and analysis of the rules and regulations pertaining to the Rhode Island Board of Medical Licensure & Discipline and to assess the fairness of the application of the rules and regulations regarding the discipline of any medical professional in the practice of medicine, surgery, dentistry, psychiatric medicine and counseling and all other professionals who are under the purview of the Board.

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

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

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

- 1 All departments and agencies of the state shall furnish such advice and information, 2 documentary and otherwise, to said commission and its agents as is deemed necessary or
- 3 desirable by the commission to facilitate the purposes of this resolution.
- The Speaker of the House is hereby authorized and directed to provide suitable quarters
 for said commission; and be it further
- 6 RESOLVED, That the commission shall report its findings and recommendations to the
- 7 House of Representatives no later than April 2, 2016, and said commission shall expire on June 2,

8 2016.

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EXPLANATION

BY THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

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1 This resolution would create a nine (9) member special legislative study commission 2 whose purpose it would be to develop a strategic plan for collaboration in Rhode Island's public 3 health system, and who would report back to the House no later than April 2, 2016, and whose

4 life would expire on June 2, 2016.

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