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# STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

### IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

#### **JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2015**

### AN ACT

# RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT - RHODE ISLAND COMMERCE CORPORATION

Introduced By: Representatives Lima, Casey, and Messier

Date Introduced: April 30, 2015

Referred To: House Finance

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

SECTION 1. Chapter 42-64 of the General Laws entitled "Rhode Island Commerce Corporation" is hereby amended by adding thereto the following section:

4 <u>42-64-36.1. Program disclosure. --</u> Any project developed pursuant to this chapter whereby activity is taken by the corporation to provide financing and/or resources to a private entity shall be subject to the following requirements:

(1) The private entity shall provide full financial disclosure on the proposed project's finances and amount of funding being requested as well as the amount of funding being provided by the private entity to complete the project;

(2) The private entity shall provide a disclosure of all terms of the private entity's corporation bylaws and operating agreement including a listing of all corporate directors, officers and/or partners subject to the private entity's corporate structure; and

(3) The private entity shall provide a business model disclosing the impact the project will have on job creation and income tax revenue generated therefrom as well as tax revenue expected to be collected from the project's proposed services and/or products.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon passage.

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# EXPLANATION

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1	This act would require that for any project whereby a private entity seeks financing or
2	resources from the commerce corporation, the private entity would be required to provide
3	disclosures on the project's finances. The private entity would also have to disclose terms of the
4	private entity's corporate governance, agreement, and also provide a business model disclosing
5	the projects impact on job creation and the income tax revenue that the project will generate.
6	This act would take effect upon passage.
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