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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2015

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RELATING TO EDUCATION -- CURRICULUM

Introduced By: Senators Picard, and Pearson

Date Introduced: January 13, 2015

Referred To: Senate Education

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Chapter 16-22 of the General Laws entitled "Curriculum" is hereby
2 amended by adding thereto the following section:

3 **16-22-27. Availability of instruction in musical performance education. – All**
4 **secondary public schools including middle schools, or any other secondary schools managed and**
5 **controlled by the state, are strongly encouraged to offer as a part of the curriculum, courses in**
6 **performing arts, including musical ensembles, such as band, chorus, orchestra and other**
7 **performance ensembles, with emphasis upon development of aesthetic appreciation and the skills**
8 **of creative expression.**

9 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect on July 1, 2015.

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EXPLANATION
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1 This act would encourage all public secondary schools managed or controlled by the state
2 to provide instruction in performing arts education as part of its curriculum.

3 This act would take effect on July 1, 2015.

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