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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 HOUSING RESOURCES ACT OF 1998

Introduced By: Senator Elizabeth A. Crowley

Date Introduced: February 12, 2015

Referred To: Senate Finance

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 42-128-10 of the General Laws in Chapter 42-128 entitled "Rhode
Island Housing Resources Act of 1998" is hereby amended to read as follows:

42-128-10. Appropriations. – (a) The general assembly shall, in addition to all funds

<u>42-128-10. Appropriations.</u> – (a) The general assembly shall, <u>in addition to all funds</u> generated through § 44-25-1 and deposited into the housing resources commission restricted receipt account, annually appropriate any sums it may deem necessary to enable the commission to carry out its assigned purposes; and the state controller is authorized and directed to draw his or her orders upon the general treasurer for the payment of any sums appropriated or so much as may be from time to time required, upon receipt by him or her of proper vouchers approved by the chairperson or the executive director.

(b) For fiscal year 2016 and beyond, the general assembly shall appropriate, pursuant to § 42-128-10(a), an amount equal to at least twelve million five hundred thousand dollars (\$12,500,000) annually in capital financing for affordable housing development or whatever amount is deemed necessary to enable the commission to carry out its assigned purposes under this chapter.

(c) For fiscal year 2016 and beyond, the general assembly shall appropriate, from funds not otherwise used in the general fund, an amount equal to at least two million one hundred and seventy thousand dollars (\$2,170,000) to support the efforts of the housing resources commission.

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EXPLANATION

BY THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

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1	This act would create two specific appropriations, one of twelve million five hundred
2	thousand dollars (\$12,500,000), and one of two million one hundred and seventy thousand dollars
3	(\$2,170,000), to be used by the housing resources commission, in addition to the revenue
4	generated from the real estate conveyance tax.
5	This act would take effect upon passage.
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