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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2015

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VALIDATING AND RATIFYING AMENDMENTS TO THE HOME RULE CHARTER OF
THE CITY OF NEWPORT

Introduced By: Senators Paiva Weed, and DiPalma

Date Introduced: April 09, 2015

Referred To: Senate Housing & Municipal Government

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1 SECTION 1. In all respects in which the amendments to the Home Rule Charter of the
2 city of Newport, which amendments were adopted and approved by the electors of the city of
3 Newport on November 4, 2014, may require ratification, confirmation, validation or enactment by
4 the general assembly, but in no other respects, the provisions of said amendments to the Home
5 Rule Charter of the city of Newport are hereby ratified, confirmed, validated and enacted. It is the
6 express intention of the general assembly, by the passage of this act, to give effect to, ratify,
7 confirm, validate and enact those provisions of the said amendments to the Home Rule Charter of
8 the city of Newport which require ratification, confirmation, validation or enactment and by the
9 passage of this act, the legislature does hereby ratify, confirm, validate and enact said provisions,
10 but nothing in this act shall be construed to abrogate or impair the powers now or hereafter
11 granted to cities and towns by the Home Rule amendment and other applicable laws of the State
12 of Rhode Island or those rights retained by said city of Newport in its Home Rule Charter.

13 SECTION 2. If any provision of this act, or the application thereof to the city of Newport
14 or to any person or circumstances is deemed invalid for any reason, the remainder of this act, or
15 the application of such provision to said town or other persons or circumstances shall not be
16 affected thereby, and to this end the provisions of this act are declared to be severable.

1 SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon passage.

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EXPLANATION
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1 This act would validate and ratify amendments to the Home Rule Charter of the city of
2 Newport, which amendments were adopted and approved by the electors of the city of Newport
3 on November 4, 2014.

4 This act would take effect upon passage.

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