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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2016

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RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS -- QUALITY CARE FOR PERSONS
WITH DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES

Introduced By: Representatives Barros, Abney, Regunberg, Blazejewski, and
Maldonado

Date Introduced: February 24, 2016

Referred To: House Finance

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Chapter 28-12 of the General Laws entitled "Minimum Wages" is hereby
2 amended by adding thereto the following section:

3 **28-12-3.3. Minimum wages for employees of developmental disabilities**
4 **organizations.** -- Commencing January 1, 2017, every covered employer providing services to
5 persons with developmental disabilities, that are reimbursed for such services by the state, shall
6 pay each of their employees, at least fifteen dollars (\$15.00) per hour. For the purposes of this
7 section, covered employers are those developmental disability organizations licensed to provide
8 services pursuant to chapter 24 of title 40.1.

9 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon passage.

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EXPLANATION
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1 This act would require that every employer who provides services to persons with
2 developmental disabilities, which are reimbursed for such services by the state, pay their
3 employees fifteen dollars (\$15.00) an hour.

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