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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2017

H O U S E R E S O L U T I O N

CREATING A SPECIAL LEGISLATIVE COMMISSION TO STUDY THE EFFECTS OF ENACTING A LINE ITEM VETO, POTENTIAL RHODE ISLAND CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS FOR A GOVERNOR RUNOFF, AND REQUIREMENTS FOR THE ELECTION OF THE GOVERNOR AND LT. GOVERNOR AS A TEAM

Introduced By: Representatives Marshall, O'Brien, Costantino, and Tobon

Date Introduced: February 02, 2017

Referred To: House Judiciary

1 RESOLVED, That a special legislative commission be and the same is hereby created
2 consisting of seven (7) members: seven (7) of whom shall be members of the Rhode Island House
3 of Representatives, not more than four (4) from the same political party, to be appointed by the
4 Speaker of the House.

5 In lieu of any appointment of a member of the legislature to a permanent advisory
6 commission, a legislative study commission, or any commission created by a General Assembly
7 resolution, the appointing authority may appoint a member of the general public to serve in lieu
8 of a legislator, provided that the majority leader or the minority leader of the political party which
9 is entitled to the appointment consents to the member of the general public.

10 The purpose of said commission shall be to make a comprehensive study of the
11 ramifications and/or fiscal impact and make recommendations on the effects of enacting a line
12 item veto, potential Rhode Island Constitutional Amendments for a Governor runoff, and
13 requirements for the election of the Governor and Lt. Governor as a team.

14 Forthwith upon passage of this resolution, the members of the commission shall meet at
15 the call of the Speaker of the House and organize and shall select a chairperson from among the
16 legislators.

17 Vacancies in said commission shall be filled in like manner as the original appointment.

18 The membership of said commission shall receive no compensation for their services.

1 All departments and agencies of the state, shall furnish such advice and information,
2 documentary and otherwise, to said commission and its agents as is deemed necessary or
3 desirable by the commission to facilitate the purposes of this resolution.

4 The Speaker of the House is hereby authorized and directed to provide suitable quarters
5 for said commission; and be it further

6 RESOLVED, That the commission shall report its findings and recommendations to the
7 House of Representatives no later than February 7, 2018, and said commission shall expire on
8 May 7, 2018.

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EXPLANATION
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1 This resolution would create a seven (7) member special legislative study commission
2 whose purpose it would be to make a comprehensive study and provide recommendation on the
3 effects of enacting a line item veto, potential Rhode Island Constitutional Amendments for a
4 Governor runoff, and requirements for the election of the Governor and Lt. Governor as a team,
5 and who would report back to the House of Representatives no later than February 7, 2018, and
6 whose life would expire on May 7, 2018.

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