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**STATE OF RHODE ISLAND**

**IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY**

**JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2017**

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

**CREATING A SPECIAL LEGISLATIVE COMMISSION TO EXAMINE THE ISSUE OF  
LICENSING BUILDERS AND CONTRACTORS**

Introduced By: Representatives McEntee, Craven, and Lima

Date Introduced: March 10, 2017

Referred To: House Corporations

1           RESOLVED, That a special legislative commission be and the same is hereby created  
2 consisting of seventeen (17) members: five (5) of whom shall be members of the House of  
3 Representatives, not more than four (4) from the same political party, to be appointed by the  
4 Speaker of the House; one of whom shall be the Executive Director of the Contractors'  
5 Registration and Licensing Board, or designee; one of whom shall be the Director of the Rhode  
6 Island Builders Association, or designee; one of whom shall be the Attorney General, or  
7 designee; two (2) of whom shall be members of the Rhode Island Builders Association, to be  
8 appointed by the Director of the Rhode Island Builders Association; three (3) of whom shall be  
9 members of the general public, to be appointed by the Speaker of the House; one of whom shall  
10 be a representative of organized labor, to be appointed by the President of the Rhode Island  
11 Chapter of the AFL-CIO; one of whom shall be the President of the Associated Builders and  
12 Contractors, Inc., or designee; one of whom shall be the Executive Director of the Rhode Island  
13 Chapter of the Associated General Contractors of America, or designee; and one of whom shall  
14 be the President of the Carpenters Local 94, or designee.

15           In lieu of any appointment of a member of the legislature to a permanent advisory  
16 commission, a legislative study commission, or any commission created by a general assembly  
17 resolution, the appointing authority may appoint a member of the general public to serve in lieu  
18 of a legislator, provided that the Majority Leader or the Minority Leader of the political party  
19 which is entitled to the appointment consents to the appointment of the member of the general

1 public.

2 The purpose of said commission shall be to examine the issue of licensing builders and  
3 contractors.

4 Forthwith upon passage of this resolution, the members of the commission shall meet at  
5 the call of the Speaker of the House and organize and shall select, from among the legislators, a  
6 chairperson. Vacancies in said commission shall be filled in like manner as the original  
7 appointment.

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

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

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

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

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EXPLANATION  
BY THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL  
OF  
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- 1           This resolution would create a seventeen (17) member special legislative commission
- 2 whose purpose it would be to examine the issue of licensing builders and contractors, and who
- 3 would report back to the House of Representatives no later than February 8, 2018, and whose life
- 4 would expire on May 8, 2018.

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