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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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RELATING TO PUBLIC PROPERTY AND WORKS - MINORITY BUSINESS ENTERPRISE

Introduced By: Senators Lynch Prata, Gallo, Metts, and Coyne

Date Introduced: March 02, 2017

Referred To: Senate Commerce

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 37-14.1-6 of the General Laws in Chapter 37-14.1 entitled
2 "Minority Business Enterprise" is hereby amended to read as follows:

3 **37-14.1-6. Minority business enterprise participation.**

4 (a) Minority business enterprises shall be included in all procurements and construction
5 projects under this chapter and shall be awarded a minimum of ten percent (10%) of the dollar
6 value of the entire procurement or project. The director of the department of administration is
7 further authorized to establish by rules and regulation [the certification process and](#) formulas for
8 giving minority business enterprises a preference in contract and subcontract awards.

9 (b) [Any minority business enterprise that is certified under the federal Small Business](#)
10 [Act, 15 U.S.C. §632, shall be deemed to be certified by the department of administration as a](#)
11 [minority business enterprise and shall only be required to submit evidence of federal certification](#)
12 [of good standing.](#)

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

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EXPLANATION
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1 This act would provide that any minority business enterprise that is certified by the Small
2 Business Act shall be deemed certified by the department of administration as a minority business
3 enterprise.

4 This act would take effect upon passage.

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