

**2021 -- S 0473 AS AMENDED**

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**STATE OF RHODE ISLAND**

**IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY**

**JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2021**

A N A C T

RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES

Introduced By: Senators DiMario, Euer, Valverde, DiPalma, Seveney, Calkin, Bell,  
Kallman, and Coyne

Date Introduced: March 04, 2021

Referred To: Senate Environment & Agriculture

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Title 45 of the General Laws entitled "TOWNS AND CITIES" is hereby  
2 amended by adding thereto the following chapter:

3 CHAPTER 69

4 COASTAL HAZARDS

5 **45-69-1. Coastal hazards.**

6 For the purposes of coastal hazards, including sea level rise and coastal flooding, the state's  
7 twenty-one (21) coastal communities are authorized to adopt the coastal resources management  
8 council's (CRMC) coastal hazard application process applicable to a local overlay district bounded  
9 by the seven foot (7') sea level rise, plus one hundred (100) year recurrence coastal storm as  
10 specified by the CRMC's shoreline change special area management plan. This local overlay district  
11 shall be for the purposes of assessing coastal hazard risk of structures by applicants seeking local  
12 building permits.

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

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EXPLANATION  
BY THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL  
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1           This act would allow the twenty-one coastal communities to adopt the CRMC's coastal  
2 hazard application process applicable to local overlay districts for applicants seeking local building  
3 permits.

4           This act would take effect upon passage.

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