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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2022

AN ACT

RELATING TO ELECTIONS -- CONDUCT OF ELECTION AND VOTING EQUIPMENT, AND SUPPLIES

<u>Introduced By:</u> Representative Raymond A. Hull

Date Introduced: April 01, 2022

Referred To: House State Government & Elections

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 17-19-4 of the General Laws in Chapter 17-19 entitled "Conduct of
- 2 Election and Voting Equipment, and Supplies" is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 3 <u>17-19-4. Voting booths and optical scan precinct count units -- Number to be</u>
- 4 furnished.
- 5 (a) For each voting district and for each town not divided into voting districts, at least one
- 6 precinct count unit shall be prepared and delivered by the state board or its designee.
- 7 (b) At each voting place, both in cities and in towns, at least one voting booth shall be
- 8 furnished for every one hundred seventy five (175) two hundred fifty (250) qualified electors,
- 9 whose names are upon the voting list used at the voting place and entitled to use the machines, as
- 10 certified to the state board based on the voting list certified as a result of the final canvass.
- 11 (c) In making the calculation required by this section, voters whose names are on the inactive list of voters shall not be included.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon passage.

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EXPLANATION

BY THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

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- This act would increase the number of qualified electors per voting booth from one hundred seventy-five (175) qualified electors to two hundred fifty (250) qualified electors.
- This act would take effect upon passage.

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