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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2024

JOINT RESOLUTION

MAKING AN APPROPRIATION OF \$60,000 TO THE RHODE ISLAND FIRE ACADEMY

Introduced By: Representatives Noret, Casimiro, Casey, Edwards, Azzinaro, Shanley,
Spears, Corvese, Chippendale, and Fogarty

Date Introduced: March 05, 2024

Referred To: House Finance

1 WHEREAS, The Rhode Island State Fire Academy provides basic and advanced training
2 programs and is accredited by the National Board on Fire Service Professional Qualifications;
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4 WHEREAS, The Fire Academy provides basic and advanced training in various
5 disciplines; and

6 WHEREAS, Currently, fires caused by lithium-ion batteries are on the rise. Specialized
7 training is required to effectively and safely handle these types of fires; and

8 WHEREAS, Funding is necessary for the purpose of training and certifying fifty full-
9 time firefighters from across the State, who would in turn, bring the skills necessary to extinguish
10 small to large lithium battery fires back to their districts and provide training for their entire
11 respective departments; now, therefore be it

12 RESOLVED, That there is hereby appropriated, out of any money in the treasury not
13 otherwise appropriated for the fiscal year 2024-2025, the sum of sixty thousand dollars (\$60,000)
14 to the to the Rhode Island Fire Academy to provide the training required to effectively and safely
15 handle small to large lithium battery fires; and the state controller is hereby authorized and
16 directed to draw his orders upon the general treasurer for the payment of said sum, or so much
17 thereof as may be from time to time required, upon receipt of properly authenticated vouchers.

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EXPLANATION
BY THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL
OF
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- 1 This resolution would authorize the appropriation of the sum of \$60,000 to the Rhode
- 2 Island Fire Academy for training to extinguish small to large lithium battery fires.

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