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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2025

HOUSE RESOLUTION

AMENDING THE RULES OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES FOR THE YEARS
2023 AND 2024

Introduced By: Representatives McGaw, Boylan, Spears, Carson, Fogarty, Kislak,
Cotter, Cortvriend, Ajello, and Speakman

Date Introduced: January 10, 2025

Referred To: House Rules

1 RESOLVED, that the rules of the House of Representatives adopted by the House of
2 Representatives at its January session, A.D., 2023, entitled “House Resolution Adopting Rules of
3 the House of Representatives for the years 2023 and 2024,” be and the same is hereby amended
4 by adding the following new rule thereto:

5 **(49) Recognizing the Importance of Leading by Example.**

6 (a) The following items shall not be permitted on the floor of the House or in any spaces
7 utilized for House proceedings except when required for safety, health, or emergency situations:

8 (1) Plastic plates;

9 (2) Plastic cutlery;

10 (3) Plastic straws;

11 (4) Plastic beverage containers;

12 (5) Single-use plastic drinkware; and

13 (6) Food or beverage containers composed in whole or in part of polystyrene foam.

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EXPLANATION
BY THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL
OF
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- 1 This resolution would provide certain plastic and single-use plastic cutlery and beverage
- 2 containers would not be permitted on the House floor or any spaces utilized for House
- 3 proceedings, except for safety, health, or emergency situations.

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