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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2026

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RELATING TO PUBLIC FINANCE -- REVENUE ESTIMATING CONFERENCES

Introduced By: Representatives J. Lombardi, and Hull

Date Introduced: January 21, 2026

Referred To: House Finance

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 35-16-2 of the General Laws in Chapter 35-16 entitled "Revenue
2 Estimating Conferences" is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 3 **35-16-2. Meetings.**
- 4 (a) The principals of the R.E.C. shall meet within the ~~first ten (10) days of May and last~~
5 ten (10) days of April and the first ten (10) days of November of each year.
- 6 (b) The primary purpose of regularly scheduled conferences is to prepare economic
7 forecasts and forecast revenue estimates and review current revenue collections under current tax
8 law. The conference principals can agree, however, to address special legislation or special topics.
- 9 (c) Prior to each R.E.C., the principals will determine the documentation and information
10 necessary to support that conference.
- 11 (d) No votes will be taken in the revenue estimating conferences. These are truly consensus
12 conferences and all principals must agree and are bound to the conference recommendations.
- 13 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon passage.

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EXPLANATION
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- 1 This act would change the timeframe of the Revenue Estimating Conferences meeting to
- 2 within the last ten (10) days of April and the first ten (10) days of November of each year.
- 3 This act would take effect upon passage.

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