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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2010

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RELATING TO EDUCATION -- PRIVATE SCHOOLS

Introduced By: Representative Douglas W. Gablinske

Date Introduced: February 25, 2010

Referred To: House Health, Education & Welfare

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 16-40-10.1 of the General Laws in Chapter 16-40 entitled "Private
2 Schools" is hereby repealed.

3 ~~**16-40-10.1. Katharine Gibbs School.** -- Notwithstanding any rule, regulation or general
4 law to the contrary, the Katharine Gibbs School shall be authorized to grant associate degrees
5 provided that it is in compliance with the regulations and standards for approval adopted by the
6 board of regents for elementary and secondary education or the board of governors for higher
7 education, as appropriate.~~

8 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 repeal section 16-40-10.1 which authorizes the Katharine Gibbs School to
2 grant associate degrees. With the approval of the Board of Governors for Higher Education, the
3 Katharine Gibbs School, currently a degree-granting proprietary institution, has acted to change
4 its business name and operating status to Sanford-Brown Institute, a non-degree granting
5 proprietary school, which would offer only certificate programs.

6 This act would take effect upon passage.

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