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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2010

AN ACT

RELATING TO EDUCATION - CERTIFICATION OF PERSONNEL

Introduced By: Representatives Malik, and Gablinske

Date Introduced: April 06, 2010

Referred To: House Municipal Government

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 16-48.1-4 of the General Laws in Chapter 16-48.1 entitled

"Certification of Personnel Providing Educational Services to Very Young Children" is hereby

amended to read as follows:

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<u>16-48.1-4. Criminal records checks -- Operations. -- (a)</u> Any person seeking to operate

a facility covered under section 16-48-1 shall apply to the bureau of criminal identification of the

6 state police or the local police department for a nationwide criminal records check. The check

will conform to the applicable federal standards including the taking of fingerprints to identify the

applicant. The commissioner will determine by rule those items of information appearing on a

criminal records check which constitute disqualifying information because the information would

indicate that the operation or, in the case of an employee, the employment could endanger the

health or welfare of a child or children. Upon the discovery of any disqualifying information with

respect to a proposed operator, the bureau of criminal identification of the state police or the local

police department will inform the commissioner in writing of the nature of the disqualifying

information.

(b) Notwithstanding any provision of the general or public laws to the contrary, the town

of Warren is hereby authorized to charge a reasonable fee for performing criminal record checks

as required by this chapter.

1 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon passage.

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EXPLANATION

BY THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

OF

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1 This act would authorize the town of Warren to charge a reasonable fee for performing 2 criminal record checks relating to those people providing educational services to very young 3 children. 4 This act would take effect upon passage. LC02115