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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2012

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RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY - RESOURCE RECOVERY CORPORATION

Introduced By: Representatives Ucci, Fellela, Petrarca, Marcello, and Carnevale

Date Introduced: May 23, 2012

Referred To: House Environment and Natural Resources

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Chapter 23-19 of the General Laws entitled "Rhode Island Resource
2 Recovery Corporation" is hereby amended by adding thereto the following section:

3 **23-19-13.6. Cover materials not permitted.** – (a) No resource recovery system or
4 facility made available by the corporation shall use the following as material to cover compacted
5 solid waste at a sanitary landfill:

6 (1) Construction and demolition debris, whole, shredded, or pulverized, including, wood
7 (including painted, treated and coated wood and wood products), land clearing debris, wall
8 coverings, plaster, drywall, plumbing fixtures, non-asbestos insulation, roofing shingles and other
9 roof coverings, and glass; or

10 (2) Organic materials, including materials that contain carbon-to-carbon bonds and are
11 bio-degradable, such as paper, wood, food waste, leaves and yard waste. Organic materials may
12 be used only as a final landfill cover with approval of the department of environmental
13 management.

14 (b) Any facility violating the provisions of this section shall be fined not less than two
15 thousand five hundred dollars (\$2,500), nor more than five thousand dollars (\$5,000). The fine
16 shall be paid to the city or town in which the facility is located.

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

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EXPLANATION
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- 1 This act would make unlawful the use of construction debris or organic material as cover
- 2 material at the facilities operated by the Resource Recovery Corporation.
- 3 This act would take effect upon passage.

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