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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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RELATING TO COURTS AND CIVIL PROCEDURE - COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL
TENURE AND DISCIPLINE

Introduced By: Senators McCaffrey, and Jabour

Date Introduced: March 23, 2011

Referred To: Senate Judiciary

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 8-16-1 of the General Laws in Chapter 8-16 entitled "Commission
2 on Judicial Tenure and Discipline" is hereby amended to read as follows:

3 **8-16-1. Composition -- Appointment.** -- (a) There is hereby created a commission to be
4 known as the commission on judicial tenure and discipline, hereinafter referred to as the
5 commission. The commission shall consist of ~~fifteen (15)~~ sixteen (16) members: three (3) of
6 whom shall be appointed by the governor with the advice and consent of the senate, none of
7 whom need be attorneys; three (3) of whom shall be appointed by the governor from a list of
8 attorneys provided by the Rhode Island bar association with the advice and consent of the senate,
9 that list of attorneys to include five (5) names for each member to be appointed by the governor;
10 one attorney or public member to be appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives, one
11 attorney or public member who shall be appointed by the house minority leader, one attorney or
12 public member to be appointed by the president of the senate; and one attorney or public member
13 to be appointed by the senate minority leader; ~~five (5)~~ six (6) members of the judiciary appointed
14 by the supreme court, one each from the superior, family, district, ~~and~~ workers' compensation
15 courts, traffic tribunal and one at large member from any of the aforementioned courts shall be
16 chairperson.

17 (b) No member of the commission, except the appointed members of the judiciary, shall,
18 while serving as a member thereof, hold any public office, or be in the employ of the state of

1 Rhode Island.

2 (c) The chairperson of the commission shall direct the performance of such
3 administrative duties as may be required for the effective discharge of the obligations herein
4 made incumbent upon the commission.

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

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EXPLANATION
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- 1 This act would add a representative from the traffic tribunal to the commission on judicial
- 2 tenure and discipline.
- 3 This act would take effect upon passage.

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