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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2013

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RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY - STATE BUILDING CODE

Introduced By: Senators Walaska, McCaffrey, and Lynch

Date Introduced: April 04, 2013

Referred To: Senate Housing & Municipal Government

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 23-27.3-118.2 of the General Laws in Chapter 23-27.3 entitled
2 "State Building Code" is hereby amended to read as follows:

3 **23-27.3-118.2. Ramps for disabled persons.** – (a) No municipality shall require that a
4 fee be paid for the construction or repair of an access ramp for disabled persons to a residential R-
5 4 use group.

6 (b) Notwithstanding the provisions of any zoning ordinance to the contrary, ramps, lifts
7 and other accommodation alternatives necessary for compliance with the provisions of the
8 Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) relating to accessibility shall be permitted as needed in
9 the front, side or rear yards of existing structures, including those which have been built-out or
10 converted to commercial uses.

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

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EXPLANATION
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