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**STATE OF RHODE ISLAND**

**IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY**

**JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2011**

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RELATING TO VALIDATING AND RATIFYING AMENDMENTS TO THE HOME RULE  
CHARTER OF THE TOWN OF LINCOLN

Introduced By: Senators E O'Neill, and Moura

Date Introduced: May 11, 2011

Referred To: Recommended for Immediate Consideration

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1           SECTION 1. In all respects in which amendments to the Home Rule Charter of the Town  
2 of Lincoln, which amendments were adopted and approved by the electors of the Town of  
3 Lincoln on November 2, 2010, may require ratification, confirmation, validation, or enactment by  
4 the General Assembly, but in no other respects, the provisions of said amendments to the Home  
5 Rule Charter of the Town of Lincoln are hereby ratified, confirmed, validated and enacted. It is  
6 the express intention of the General Assembly, by passage of this act, to give effect to, ratify,  
7 confirm, validate and enact those provisions of the said amendments to the Home Rule Charter of  
8 the Town of Lincoln, which require ratification, confirmation, validation or enactment and by the  
9 passage of this act, the legislature does hereby ratify, confirm, validate and enact said provisions,  
10 but nothing in this act shall be construed to abrogate or impair the powers now or hereafter  
11 granted to towns by the Home Rule amendment and other applicable laws of the State of Rhode  
12 Island or those rights retained by said Town of Lincoln in its Home Rule charter.

13           SECTION 2. If any provision of this act, or the application thereof to the Town of  
14 Lincoln or to any person or circumstances is deemed invalid for any reason, the remainder of this  
15 act, or the application of such provision to said Town of Lincoln or other person or circumstances  
16 shall not be affected thereby, and to this end the provisions of this act are declared to be  
17 severable.

1 SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon passage.

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