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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2010

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VALIDATING AND RATIFYING AMENDMENTS TO THE HOME RULE CHARTER OF
THE TOWN OF SMITHFIELD

Introduced By: Senator John J. Tassoni

Date Introduced: February 11, 2010

Referred To: Senate Housing & Municipal Government

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1 SECTION 1. In all respects in which the amendments to the Home Rule Charter of the
2 town of Smithfield, which amendments were adopted and approved by the electors of the town of
3 Smithfield on November 4, 2008, may require ratification, confirmation, validation or enactment
4 by the general assembly, but in no other respects, the provisions of said amendments to the Home
5 Rule Charter of the town of Smithfield are hereby ratified, confirmed, validated and enacted. It is
6 the express intention of the general assembly, by the 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 Smithfield which require ratification, confirmation, validation or enactment and by
9 the passage of this act, the legislature does hereby ratify, confirm, validate and enact said
10 provisions, but nothing in this act shall be construed to abrogate or impair the powers now or
11 hereafter granted to towns by the Home Rule amendment and other applicable laws of the State of
12 Rhode Island or those rights retained by said town of Smithfield in its Home Rule Charter.

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

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

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