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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2022

JOINT RESOLUTION

MAKING AN APPROPRIATION IN THE FISCAL YEAR 2022-2023 BUDGET TO FUND PAYMENTS IN LIEU OF TAXES (PILOT) AT THE FULL TWENTY-SEVEN PERCENT LEVEL

Introduced By: Senators Zurier, Miller, Kallman, Bell, and Quezada

Date Introduced: March 01, 2022

Referred To: Senate Finance

1 WHEREAS, Section 45-13-5.1 of the Rhode Island General Laws directs the General 2 Assembly to appropriate funds to cities and towns as payments in lieu of taxes (PILOT) for 3 revenue lost due to real property tax exemptions; and 4 WHEREAS, Section 45-13-5.1(a) of that law prescribes a benchmark of twenty-seven 5 percent (27%) of lost property tax revenue for the State appropriation to cities and towns to the extent that funding is available, with reductions pro rata to cities and towns in the event that the 6 7 General Assembly does not appropriate the full amount defined by the benchmark; and 8 WHEREAS, The General Assembly appropriated the full twenty-seven percent for 9 several years but has not done so recently; and WHEREAS, A full appropriation would be beneficial to the cities and towns that incur 10 11 burdens providing services to these tax exempt entities; and 12 WHEREAS, Many of the affected cities and towns face ongoing fiscal difficulties; now, 13 therefore be it 14 RESOLVED, That there is hereby appropriated, out of any money in the treasury not 15 otherwise appropriated for the fiscal year 2022-2023, a sum sufficient to fund payments in lieu of taxes (PILOT) at twenty-seven percent (27%); and the state controller is hereby authorized and 16

directed to draw his orders upon the general treasurer for the payment of said sum, or so much

thereof as may be from time to time required, upon receipt of properly authenticated vouchers.

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EXPLANATION

BY THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

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This joint resolution would authorize the appropriation a sum sufficient to fund payments
in lieu of taxes at the full twenty-seven percent.

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