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## STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

#### IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

#### JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2022

#### AN ACT

# RELATING TO CORPORATIONS, ASSOCIATIONS, AND PARTNERSHIPS -- WORKERS' COOPERATIVES

Introduced By: Senators Acosta, Cano, Ciccone, Quezada, Anderson, and Kallman Date Introduced: March 01, 2022

Referred To: Senate Labor

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. Chapter 7-6.2 of the General Laws entitled "Workers' Cooperatives" is hereby
- 2 amended by adding thereto the following section:
  - 7-6.2-3.1. Corporations organized for the purpose of furnishing skilled labor.
- 4 A corporation electing to be governed as a workers' cooperative, may in its articles of
- 5 incorporation or bylaws, indicate its intent to be so governed for the purpose of furnishing skilled
- 6 labor through its members performing contract labor for other entities; provided that, any individual
- 7 performing said labor does so under circumstances that demonstrate that the individual's
- 8 relationship to the contracting entity, is one of an independent contractor furnishing skilled labor
- 9 through the workers' cooperative corporation.
- 10 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon passage.

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#### **EXPLANATION**

#### BY THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

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1 This act would clarify the role of a workers' cooperative to allow it to operate as a hiring

2 hall under certain circumstances.

3 This act would take effect upon passage.

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