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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2009

HOUSE RESOLUTION

CREATING A SPECIAL HOUSE COMMISSION TO STUDY A HOME ENERGY RATE AFFORDABILITY PROGRAM

Introduced By: Representative Arthur Handy

Date Introduced: October 29, 2009

Referred To: House read and passed

1 RESOLVED, That a special House commission be and the same is hereby created
2 consisting of five (5) members: five (5) of whom shall be members of the House of
3 Representatives, not more than three (3) from the same political party, to be appointed by the
4 Speaker of the House.

5 In lieu of any appointment of a member of the legislature to a permanent advisory
6 commission, a legislative study commission, or any commission created by a General Assembly
7 resolution, the appointing authority may appoint a member of the general public to serve in lieu
8 of a legislator, provided that the majority leader or the minority leader of the political party which
9 is entitled to the appointment consents to the member of the general public.

10 The purpose of said commission shall be to make a comprehensive study and analysis of
11 the creation of a home energy rate affordability program, including, but not limited to:

- 12 1. Distribution of program credits;
- 13 2. Eligibility;
- 14 3. Obligations of participants;
- 15 4. Usage limits;
- 16 5. Rates; and
- 17 6. Administration of program.

18 Forthwith upon passage of this resolution, the members of the commission shall meet at the call
19 of the Speaker of the House and organize and select a chairperson.

1 Vacancies in said commission shall be filled in like manner as the original appointment.

2 The membership of said commission shall receive no compensation for their services.

3 All departments and agencies of the state shall furnish such advice and information, documentary
4 and otherwise, to said commission and its agents as is deemed necessary or desirable by the
5 commission to facilitate the purposes of this resolution.

6 The Speaker of the House is hereby authorized and directed to provide suitable quarters for said
7 commission; and be it further

8 RESOLVED, That the commission shall report its findings and recommendations to the
9 House of Representatives no later than January 5, 2010, and said commission shall expire on
10 March 5, 2010.

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EXPLANATION
BY THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL
OF
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1 This resolution would create a five (5) member special House study commission whose
2 purpose it would be to make a comprehensive study and analysis of the creation of a home energy
3 rate affordability program, and who would report back to the House of Representatives no later
4 than January 5, 2010, and whose life would expire on March 5, 2010.

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