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# STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

#### IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

#### **JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2015**

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### AN ACT

#### RELATING TO TAXATION -- LEVY AND ASSESSMENT OF LOCAL TAXES

Introduced By: Senator Roger Picard

Date Introduced: March 03, 2015

Referred To: Senate Housing & Municipal Government

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 44-5-13.11 of the General Laws in Chapter 44-5 entitled "Levy and

Assessment of Local Taxes" is hereby amended to read as follows:

44-5-13.11. Qualifying low-income housing -- Assessment and taxation. -- Any

residential property that has been issued an occupancy permit on or after January 1, 1995, after

substantial rehabilitation as defined by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

6 and is encumbered by a covenant recorded in the land records in favor of a governmental unit or

Rhode Island housing and mortgage finance corporation restricting either or both the rents that

8 may be charged to tenants of the property or the incomes of the occupants of the property, is

subject to a tax that equals eight percent (8%) of the property's previous years' gross scheduled

rental income or a lesser percentage as determined by each municipality; provided that where

11 twelve percent (12%) or more of the residential units within a municipality qualify for low-

income housing, the tax that may be charged is ten percent (10%) of the property's current year's

gross scheduled rental income or a lesser percentage as determined by each municipality.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon passage.

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# EXPLANATION

### BY THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

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