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(\$9.60) per hour.

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2016

AN ACT

RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS -- MINIMUM WAGE

<u>Introduced By:</u> Representatives Bennett, Palangio, Lima, Hull, and McNamara

Date Introduced: January 21, 2016

Referred To: House Labor

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 28-12-3 of the General Laws in Chapter 28-12 entitled "Minimum 2 Wages" is hereby amended to read as follows: 3 28-12-3. Minimum wages. -- (a) Every employer shall pay to each of his or her 4 employees: commencing July 1, 1999, at least the minimum wage of five dollars and sixty-five 5 cents (\$5.65) per hour. Commencing September 1, 2000, the minimum wage is six dollars and fifteen cents (\$6.15) per hour. 6 7 (b) Commencing January 1, 2004, the minimum wage is six dollars and seventy-five 8 cents (\$6.75) per hour. 9 (c) Commencing March 1, 2006, the minimum wage is seven dollars and ten cents 10 (\$7.10) per hour. (d) Commencing January 1, 2007, the minimum wage is seven dollars and forty cents 11 12 (\$7.40) per hour. 13 (e) Commencing January 1, 2013, the minimum wage is seven dollars and seventy-five 14 cents (\$7.75) per hour. 15 (f) Commencing January 1, 2014, the minimum wage is eight dollars (\$8.00) per hour. (g) Commencing January 1, 2015, the minimum wage is nine dollars (\$9.00) per hour. 16

(h) Commencing January 1, 2016, the minimum wage is nine dollars and sixty cents

(i) Commencing January 1, 2017, the minimum wage is ten dollars and fifty cents

- 1 (\$10.50) per hour.
- 2 (j) Commencing January 1, 2018, the minimum wage is eleven dollars (\$11.00) per hour.
- 3 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon passage.

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EXPLANATION

BY THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

OF

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This act would increase the minimum wage to ten dollars and fifty cents (\$10.50) on
January 1, 2017 and eleven dollars (\$11.00) per hour on January 1, 2018.

This act would take effect upon passage.

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