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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2016

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RELATING TO EDUCATION -- BOARD OF GOVERNORS FOR HIGHER EDUCATION

Introduced By: Representatives Fogarty, Hull, Canario, Johnston, and Carnevale

Date Introduced: June 09, 2016

Referred To: House Labor

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 16-59-22 of the General Laws in Chapter 16-59 entitled "Board of
2 Governors for Higher Education [See Title 16 Chapter 97 - The Rhode Island Board of Education
3 Act]" is hereby amended to read as follows:

4 **16-59-22. Applicability of merit system -- Teacher certification -- List of positions**
5 **transferable to classified service.** -- (a) The appointment, promotion, salaries, tenure, and
6 dismissal of administrative, instructional, and research employees, and secretarial employees not
7 exceeding ten (10) in number, [and armed college and university police officers](#) of the state
8 colleges shall not be subject in any manner or degree to control by the personnel administrator or
9 by any officer or board other than the council on postsecondary education. The certification of
10 teachers at the University of Rhode Island is abolished, except for teachers that elect to come or
11 remain under it.

12 (b) All positions that are exempt from the Merit System Law, chapter 4 of title 36, which
13 become vacant or that are to be established, must be forwarded to the personnel administrator,
14 who in consultation with the deputy assistant commissioner of education in charge of personnel
15 and labor relations shall determine whether the position(s) in question shall remain in the council
16 on postsecondary education non-classified service or be established in the classified service of the
17 state.

18 (c) No position presently in the classified service of the state subject to the Merit System
19 Law, chapter 4 of title 36, shall be changed or modified so as to establish the position in the

1 council on postsecondary education non-classified service.

2 (d) Faculty positions, presidents, vice presidents, deans, assistant deans, and student
3 employees of the higher education institutions shall not be covered by the preceding provisions
4 and shall remain in the council on postsecondary education non-classified service.

5 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon passage.

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EXPLANATION
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- 1 This act would include armed college and university police officers of the state colleges
- 2 among the class of individuals who are subject to control by the personnel administrator or by any
- 3 officer or board other than the council on post-secondary education.
- 4 This act would take effect upon passage.

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