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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2017

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RELATING TO GENERAL ASSEMBLY - JOINT COMMITTEE OF THE REPEALER

Introduced By: Representatives Edwards, Newberry, Canario, Keable, and Chippendale

Date Introduced: January 26, 2017

Referred To: House Judiciary

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Title 22 of the General Laws entitled "GENERAL ASSEMBLY" is hereby  
2 amended by adding thereto the following chapter:

3 CHAPTER 11.1

4 JOINT COMMITTEE OF THE REPEALER

5 **22-11.1-1 Joint committee of the repealer – Composition.**

6 (a) There is hereby created a joint committee of the repealer. The joint committee of the  
7 repealer shall consist of six (6) members: three (3) of whom shall be members of the senate, not  
8 more than two (2) from the same political party, to be appointed by the senate president; and three  
9 (3) of whom shall be members of the house of representatives, not more than two (2) from the  
10 same political party, to be appointed by the speaker of the house.

11 (b) The senate president and the speaker of the house shall consult with the house and  
12 senate minority leaders on the appointment of the minority members.

13 (c) The committee will meet in the off-session part of the year and will submit  
14 recommendations at the start of the new year and/or session for consideration by both chambers.

15 **22-11.1-2 Powers and duties of joint committee of the repealer.**

16 The joint committee of the repealer shall have the authority to:

17 (1) Compile suggestions for repeal of statutes and regulations received from citizens,  
18 businesses, and government agencies, including, but not limited to, those that are archaic and out  
19 of date; and

1           (2) Following review of suggestions, make recommendations to the general assembly and  
2 propose repeal of statutes and regulations through legislation submitted to both chambers by  
3 members of the committee.

4           **22-11.1-3. Duration of joint committee of the repealer.**

5           The committee shall be in existence until December 31, 2022, unless further extended by  
6 the general assembly.

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

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EXPLANATION  
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1           This act would create the joint committee of the repealer to compile suggestions for  
2 repeal of statutes, regulations, and executive orders received from citizens, businesses, and  
3 government agencies, including, but not limited to, those that are not considered "business-  
4 friendly" and those that are archaic and out of date.

5           This act would take effect upon passage.

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