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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2012

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RELATING TO TAXATION -- LEVY AND ASSESSMENT OF LOCAL TAXES

Introduced By: Representatives McLaughlin, and Blazejewski

Date Introduced: February 16, 2012

Referred To: House Municipal Government

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Chapter 44-5 of the General Laws entitled "Levy and Assessment of Local
2 Taxes" is hereby amended by adding thereto the following section:

3 **44-5-83. Annual training institute for local tax collectors and tax collectors for**
4 **independent fire districts.** – (a) The director of the department of revenue, in cooperation with
5 the Rhode Island association of collection officers shall establish and conduct an annual training
6 institute for local tax collectors, including tax collectors for independent fire districts. The
7 training institute shall consist of certified training courses in such areas as recording of payments,
8 reconciliation of tax, recording of abatements, banking, certificates of tax and other liens,
9 bankruptcies, knowledge of state and local laws; conducting a tax sale. For this purpose, the
10 department may cooperate with educational institutions, local, regional, state, or national
11 collections' organizations, and with any other appropriate professional organizations. The cost of
12 said training program shall be at no cost to the state. A local tax collector, or tax collector for an
13 independent fire district who has successfully completed the training program, or who has
14 obtained the necessary amount of credits, shall be awarded the designation of Rhode Island
15 Certified Collector (RICC).

16 (b) An applicant who is a member of a local collector's personnel and/or staff or who is a
17 member of the personnel and/or staff of a tax collector for an independent fire district who has
18 successfully completed the training program, or who has obtained the necessary courses, shall be
19 awarded the designation of Rhode Island Certified Collector's Personnel (RICCP).

1 (c) The Rhode Island association of collection officers shall establish a program of
2 recertification, approved by the department of revenue, for all designated members.

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

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EXPLANATION
BY THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL
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1 This act would establish an annual training institute for local tax collectors including tax
2 collectors for independent fire districts to be conducted by the department of revenue in
3 cooperation with the Rhode Island association of collection officers.

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