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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2012

AN ACT

RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS -- MINIMUM WAGES

Introduced By: Senators Lynch, McCaffrey, DiPalma, Lanzi, and Perry

<u>Date Introduced:</u> February 14, 2012

Referred To: Senate 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 (b) Commencing January 1, 2004, the minimum wage is six dollars and seventy-five 7 8 cents (\$6.75) per hour. (c) Commencing March 1, 2006, the minimum wage is seven dollars and ten cents 9 (\$7.10) per hour. 10 11 (d) Commencing January 1, 2007, the minimum wage is seven dollars and forty cents 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.

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 raise the minimum wage commencing January 1, 2013 to seven dollars 2 and seventy-five cents (\$7.75) per hour. 3 This act would take effect upon passage.

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