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# STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

#### IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

#### JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2012

### AN ACT

#### RELATING TO CRIMINALS - CORRECTIONAL INSTITUTIONS - PAROLE

Introduced By: Senator Harold M. Metts

Date Introduced: June 06, 2012

Referred To: Placed on Senate Calendar

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 13-8-2 of the General Laws in Chapter 13-8 entitled "Parole" is
- 2 hereby amended to read as follows:
- 3 <u>13-8-2. Qualifications of board members. --</u> The seven (7) electors to be named by the
- 4 governor shall have the following qualifications:
- 5 (1) (i) One of the qualified electors shall be <u>a psychologist or a physician who is</u>
- 6 professionally qualified in the field of psychiatry or neurology;
- 7 (ii) One shall be a member in good standing of the Rhode Island bar;
- 8 (iii) One shall be a person who is professionally trained in correctional work or in some
- 9 closely related general field as a social work; and
- 10 (iv) One shall be a law enforcement officer;
- 11 (2) All of the qualified electors shall be individuals who shall also have shown an
- 12 interest in social welfare problems.
- 13 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 mandate that one of the members of the parole board be a psychologist or
- 2 a physician who is professionally qualified in the field of psychiatry or neurology.
- 3 This act would take effect upon passage.

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