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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2013

AN ACT

RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT - RHODE ISLAND COMMERCE CORPORATION - BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT CENTER

Introduced By: Representatives Marshall, Melo, Mattiello, Shekarchi, and Costantino

Date Introduced: May 01, 2013

Referred To: House Finance

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Chapter 42-64 of the General Laws entitled "Rhode Island Economic

Development Corporation" is hereby amended by adding thereto the following section:

42-64-39. Business development center. -- There shall be established within the Rhode

Island commerce corporation a business development center that supports businesses and projects 4

5 through a customer centric approach to providing assistance or support as determined by the

6 board of directors for businesses within Rhode Island to maintain, expand and to create new

employment opportunities. The center shall provide a concierge-level of call service that meets

8 standards established by the board to assist businesses in navigating through the various

9 permitting and regulatory requirements and to reduce obstacles to growth within the state. The

10 services shall include but not be limited to peer to peer assistance, mentoring, finance options,

and services as the board may determine. 11

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect on January 1, 2014.

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EXPLANATION

BY THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

OF

AN ACT

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This act would establish a new business development center in the newly-established
Rhode Island Commerce Corporation.

This act would take effect on January 1, 2014.

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