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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2013

AN ACT

RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT

<u>Introduced By:</u> Senators Raptakis, Walaska, Lombardi, Lombardo, and Conley <u>Date Introduced:</u> February 13, 2013 <u>Referred To:</u> Senate Health & Human Services

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. Chapter 42-62 of the General Laws entitled "Catastrophic Health Insurance
- 2 Plan Act" is hereby amended by adding thereto the following section:
- 3 <u>42-62-13.2. Insurance rates tied to the consumer price index. -- Notwithstanding any</u>
- 4 provisions of the general laws to the contrary, any increase in rates proposed to be charged by an
- 5 insurer licensed to provide health insurance in the state shall be no greater than the percentage
- 6 increase in the Consumer Price Index for all Urban Consumers (CPI-U) as published by the
- 7 United States Department of Labor Bureau of Labor Statistics determined as of September 30 of
- 8 <u>the prior calendar year.</u>
- 9 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 provide that any rate increase with respect to health insurance plans shall
- 2 be no greater than the Consumer Price Index.
- 3 This act would take effect upon passage.

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