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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

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RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- RHODE ISLAND HUMAN  
RESOURCES INVESTMENT COUNCIL

Introduced By: Senators P Fogarty, Doyle, Satchell, Walaska, and Pichardo

Date Introduced: May 08, 2014

Referred To: Senate Labor

(Labor and Training)

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1           SECTION 1. Section 42-102-10 of the General Laws in Chapter 42-102 entitled "Rhode  
2   Island Human Resource Investment Council" is hereby amended to read as follows:

3           **42-102-10. State Career Pathways System.** -- The human resource investment council  
4   shall ~~establish~~ support and oversee ~~a State Career Pathways System for the purposes of increasing~~  
5   ~~the skill level of Rhode Island workers in alignment with industry needs~~ statewide efforts to  
6   develop and expand career pathways that enable individuals to secure employment within a  
7   specific industry or occupational sector, and to advance over time to successively higher levels of  
8   education and employment in that sector. Towards this purpose, the council shall ~~establish a task~~  
9   ~~force of fifteen (15) members. Nine (9) members of the task force shall be appointed by the~~  
10   ~~governor from recommendations made by the human resource investment council, two (2) of~~  
11   ~~whom shall be representatives of the state Industry Partnerships; two (2) of whom shall be~~  
12   ~~representatives of the adult education profession (one of which shall be a representative of the~~  
13   ~~office of Adult Education Services at the Rhode Island department of education); three (3) of~~  
14   ~~whom shall be persons who, because of vocation, employment or affiliation, can be classified as~~  
15   ~~employers; and two (2) of whom shall be persons who, because of vocation, employment or~~  
16   ~~affiliation, can be classified as employees. The commissioner of higher education, the~~  
17   ~~commissioner of elementary and secondary education, the director of the department of labor and~~  
18   ~~training, the executive director of the economic development corporation and the director of the~~

1 ~~community college of Rhode Island's center for workforce and community education shall serve~~  
2 ~~on the task force by virtue of their respective positions. The governor shall also appoint a chair of~~  
3 ~~the task force to be chosen from amongst the membership of the human resource investment~~  
4 ~~council.~~ convene an advisory committee comprised of representatives from business, labor, adult  
5 education, secondary education, higher education, the department of corrections, the executive  
6 office of health and human services, the office of library and information services, community-  
7 based organizations, and the public workforce system. ~~The task force shall work in coordination~~  
8 ~~with the adult education committee of the human resource investment council to develop and~~  
9 ~~oversee the career pathways system.~~

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

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EXPLANATION  
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1           This act would provide that the human resource investment council oversee statewide  
2 efforts to develop and expand career pathways to secure employment within a specific industry or  
3 occupational sector. It would also direct the council to convene an advisory committee to meet  
4 those goals.

5           This act would take effect upon passage.

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