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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2015

H O U S E R E S O L U T I O N

**CREATING A SPECIAL LEGISLATIVE COMMISSION TO STUDY BALLOT INTEGRITY
AND SECURITY**

Introduced By: Representatives Newberry, Casey, Marcello, Reilly, and Edwards

Date Introduced: February 25, 2015

Referred To: House Judiciary

1 RESOLVED, That a special legislative commission be and the same is hereby created
2 consisting of five (5) members: five (5) of whom shall be members of the Rhode Island House of
3 Representatives, not more than three (3) from the same political party, to be appointed by the
4 Speaker of the House.

5 In lieu of any appointment of a member of the legislature to a permanent advisory
6 commission, a legislative study commission, or any commission created by a General Assembly
7 resolution, the appointing authority may appoint a member of the general public to serve in lieu
8 of a legislator, provided that the Majority Leader or the Minority Leader of the political party
9 which is entitled to the appointment, consents to the member of the general public.

10 The purpose of said commission shall be to make a comprehensive study on ballot
11 integrity and security.

12 Forthwith upon passage of this resolution, the members of the commission shall meet at
13 the call of the Speaker of the House and organize and shall select a chairperson.

14 Vacancies in said commission shall be filled in like manner as the original appointment.

15 The membership of said commission shall receive no compensation for their services.

16 All departments and agencies of the state shall furnish such advice and information,
17 documentary and otherwise, to said commission and its agents as is deemed necessary or
18 desirable by the commission to facilitate the purposes of this resolution.

19 The Speaker of the House is hereby authorized and directed to provide suitable quarters

1 for said commission; and be it further

2 RESOLVED, That the commission shall report its findings and recommendations to the
3 House of Representatives no later than March 3, 2016, and said commission shall expire on June
4 3, 2016.

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EXPLANATION
BY THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL
OF
HOUSE RESOLUTION
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- 1 This resolution would create a five (5) member special legislative study commission
- 2 whose purpose it would be to make a comprehensive study on ballot integrity and security, and
- 3 who would report back to the House no later than March 3, 2016, and whose life would expire on
- 4 June 3, 2016.

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