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# STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

#### IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

#### **JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2015**

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## AN ACT

## RELATING TO WATERS AND NAVIGATION -- NARRAGANSETT BAY COMMISSION

<u>Introduced By:</u> Representatives MacBeth, McLaughlin, Lombardi, and Chippendale <u>Date Introduced:</u> May 21, 2015

SECTION 1. Title 46 of the General Laws entitled "WATERS AND NAVIGATION" is

Referred To: House Finance

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

2 hereby amended by adding thereto the following chapter: 3 CHAPTER 25.3 4 ZERO PROCESS WASTEWATER DISCHARGE PERMITS 5 46-25.3-1. Zero process wastewater-sanitary discharge permits – Fees prohibited. --No fees or other charges, including annual permit fees, shall be issued by the Narragansett Bay 6 7 water quality management district commission and/or the department of environmental 8 management to any business operating in this state that is utilizing a recycling process which does 9 not discharge wastewater into publicly owned sewage treatment facilities or into the waters of this 10 state. SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon passage. 11

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# **EXPLANATION**

# BY THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

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1 This act would prohibit the Narragansett Bay commission and/or the department of 2 environmental management from charging fees, including annual permit fees, to any business that 3 is utilizing a recycling process which does not discharge wastewater into publicly owned sewage 4 treatment facilities or into the waters of this state. This act would take effect upon passage. 5 LC002656