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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2015

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RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT

Introduced By: Representatives Tobon, Barros, Marshall, Shekarchi, and Blazejewski

Date Introduced: May 27, 2015

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

3           **42-64-42. Pawtucket train station. --** (a) It is declared that there exists within the city of  
4 Pawtucket, railroad properties and adjacent lands that represent economic importance, and are an  
5 important public asset.

6           (b) It is further declared that there is a need for development of these areas for the  
7 purpose of:

8           (1) Establishing a commuter train station facility for the promotion of commercial and  
9 economic development in the cities of Pawtucket and Central Falls and the remainder of the  
10 Blackstone Valley region;

11           (2) The attraction of appropriate businesses, resources, and investment;

12           (3) Taking advantage of the region's close proximity to Boston; and

13           (4) The development of an attractive urban environment that fosters the social welfare of  
14 the public.

15           (c) Subject to the certification by the board of canvassers of the city of Pawtucket that the  
16 qualified electors of the city of Pawtucket have approved the establishment of such commuter  
17 train station facility in said city, the general assembly shall appropriate, in fiscal year 2016, the  
18 sum of twenty million dollars (\$20,000,000), or authorize the commerce corporation and/or the  
19 department of transportation to issue bonds and/or notes in said sum, to be applied towards the

1 [establishment of such commuter train station facility.](#)

2 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 authorize the general assembly to appropriate the sum of twenty million  
2 dollars (\$20,000,000) for the establishment of a commuter train station in the city of Pawtucket,  
3 provided that the electors of the city of Pawtucket approve the establishment of such commuter  
4 train station in the city.

5           This act would take effect upon passage.

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