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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2016

AN ACT

RELATING TO TAXATION -- HOMESTEAD EXEMPTION IN THE TOWN OF NARRAGANSETT

Introduced By: Representatives McEntee, and Tanzi

Date Introduced: January 13, 2016

Referred To: House Municipal Government

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Chapter 44-5 of the General Laws entitled "Levy and Assessment of Local

Taxes" is hereby amended by adding thereto the following section:

3 <u>44-5-85. Narragansett homestead exemption. -- The town council of the town of</u>

4 Narragansett is authorized to annually fix the amount, if any, of a homestead exemption with

5 <u>respect to assessed value from local taxation on taxable real property used for residential purposes</u>

6 or mixed purposes, defined as a combination of residential and commercial uses, in the town of

7 Narragansett and to grant homestead exemptions to the owner or owners of residential real estate

8 or combination residential and commercial real estate in an amount not to exceed ten percent

9 (10%) of the assessed value. The exemption shall apply to property used exclusively for

10 residential purposes, and improved with a dwelling containing less than five (5) units or real

11 property used for a combination of residential and commercial uses. When real property is used

for mixed purposes, the percentage of the assessed value shall be a prorated amount. The prorated

13 amount shall be the percentage of square feet of the parcel used for residential purposes

14 <u>multiplied by the percentage of the homestead exemption. In order to determine compliance with</u>

15 the homestead exemption as outlined in this subsection, the town council shall provide, by

16 resolution or ordinance, rules and regulations governing eligibility for the exemption established

17 by this section.

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EXPLANATION

BY THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

OF

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This act would grant the town council of the town of Narragansett the authority to adopt a homestead exemption ordinance.

This act would take effect upon passage.

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