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## STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

#### IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

#### JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2017

#### AN ACT

# RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY - LONG-TERM CARE COORDINATING COUNCIL

<u>Introduced By:</u> Representatives Bennett, McNamara, Hull, Costantino, and Slater <u>Date Introduced:</u> April 26, 2017 <u>Referred To:</u> House Health, Education & Welfare (Lieutenant Governor)

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 23-17.3-2 of the General Laws in Chapter 23-17.3 entitled "Long term Care Coordinating Council" is hereby amended to read as follows:

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### 23-17.3-2. Membership.

The council shall be comprised of forty-one (41) thirty-three (33) members, as follows: 4 5 the lieutenant governor or designee; the secretary of state or designee; the director of the 6 department of health or designee; the director secretary of the department executive office of 7 health and human services or designee; the director of the department of behavioral healthcare, 8 developmental disabilities and hospitals or designee; the attorney general or designee; the director 9 of the department division of elderly affairs or designee; the chair of the Rhode Island advisory 10 commission on aging or designee; the president director of the Rhode Island Chapter of the 11 American Association of Retired Persons (AARP) or designee; the director of the Alliance for 12 Long term Care state long-term care ombudsman or designee; the president of the Rhode Island Senior Center Directors Association or designee; the executive director of the Rhode Island 13 14 chapter of the Alzheimer's Association or designee; a representative of a not-for-profit long-term 15 care provider organization other than a nursing home owner, and a representative of a long-term 16 care service provider that primarily serves persons with mental retardation or developmental disabilities, both to be appointed by the governor; and a representative of an assisted living 17 18 residence other than a nursing home, to be appointed by the lieutenant governor; a representative

1 of a not-for-profit nursing home to be appointed by the lieutenant governor; five (5) citizens of 2 the state with no direct or indirect interest in nursing home ownership who have demonstrated 3 concern for the care of the elderly, two (2) of whom shall be appointed by the lieutenant 4 governor, two (2) of whom shall be appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives, and 5 one of whom shall be appointed by the President of the senate; a public member with no direct interest in long-term care ownership representing a senior advocacy organization, to be appointed 6 7 by the speaker; a representative of an adult day care center the state program of all inclusive care 8 of the elderly, to be appointed by the speaker lieutenant governor; a representative of senior 9 housing to be appointed by the lieutenant governor; a representative of a not for profit home 10 health care agency hospice provider organization, to be appointed by the speaker senate president; 11 a licensed home care provider or a licensed home nursing care provider, to be appointed by the 12 speaker; a representative of a for profit home health care agency to be appointed by the speaker; 13 and a representative of a community mental health center, to be appointed by the president of the 14 senate; a registered nurse experienced in the care of the elderly, to be appointed by the governor; 15 a representative of nonmanagerial nursing home employees, to be appointed by the lieutenant 16 governor president of the senate; three (3) two (2) members of the house, not more than two (2) 17 one from the same political party, to be appointed by the speaker; a nursing home owner, to be 18 appointed by the speaker; two (2) members of the senate, not more than one from the same 19 political party, to be appointed by the president of the senate; one consumer of home and 20 community based care or a caregiver of a consumer of home and community based care, to be 21 appointed by the speaker from a list of three (3) submitted by the chairperson of the independent 22 living council lieutenant governor; one consumer of home and community based care to be appointed by the president of the senate from a list of three (3) submitted by the chairperson of 23 24 the Governor's Council on Mental Health behavioral health services or a caregiver of a consumer 25 of behavioral health services, to be appointed by the speaker; a member of the public representing the interests of parents of children with special care needs, to be appointed by the president of the 26 27 senate governor; a family member of a person with developmental disabilities to be appointed by 28 the speaker of the house; a person with developmental disabilities or a representative of an 29 organization that advocates for the rights of persons with developmental disabilities, to be 30 appointed by the lieutenant governor; a general physician or advanced practice nurse with 31 experience in serving persons with long-term care and behavioral health needs, to be appointed 32 by the president of the senate; and a psychiatrist specializing in the medical problems of the 33 elderly, to be appointed by the lieutenant governor. Members of the general public may be 34 appointed in lieu of legislators, provided that at least one member shall be appointed from the

- 1 house and one from the senate, and the appointments shall be made by the same authority as for
- 2 the legislators supplanted and a representative of a managed care health insurer providing long-
- 3 term support and services, to be appointed by the governor. The members of the council shall
- 4 serve two (2) year terms, expiring on the second anniversary of each individual's appointment or
- 5 on the date that their respective successors are appointed and qualified, whichever is later.
- 6 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 amend the membership of the long-term care coordinating council from

2 forty-one (41) members to thirty-three (33) members.

3 This act would take effect upon passage.

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