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STATE \mathbf{OF} RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2021

AN ACT

RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES - ZONING ORDINANCES

Introduced By: Representatives Place, Quattrocchi, Chippendale, and Noret

Date Introduced: February 24, 2021

Referred To: House Judiciary

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Chapter 45-24 of the General Laws entitled "Zoning Ordinances" is hereby

2 amended by adding thereto the following section:

45-24-30.1. Home-based businesses.

4 Notwithstanding any zoning or other municipal ordinance to the contrary, any individual

5 operating a home-based business which meets the criteria provided by the Internal Revenue Code

for home office tax deduction, may operate without securing any approvals from their municipality; 6

7 provided, that the home-based business does not store chemicals or park heavy equipment on the

premises, and not more than ten percent (10%) of the premises are used for parking in connection

with the operation of the home-based business.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon passage.

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EXPLANATION

BY THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

OF

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1 This act would allow the contained operation of a home-based business, as long as it meets 2 the criteria for a home office IRS income tax deduction, and not more than ten percent (10%) of 3 the premises is used for parking, notwithstanding any contrary zoning law or ordinance. 4 This act would take effect upon passage.

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