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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2022

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RELATING TO WATERS AND NAVIGATION -- INSPECTION OF DAMS AND
RESERVOIRS -- ENVIRONMENTAL STUDY OF JOHNSON'S POND

Introduced By: Representatives Nardone, Roberts, Chippendale, Noret, Serpa, and P
Morgan

Date Introduced: February 11, 2022

Referred To: House Finance

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Chapter 46-19 of the General Laws entitled "Inspection of Dams and
2 Reservoirs" is hereby amended by adding thereto the following section:

3 **46-19-8.1. Environmental study of Johnson's Pond.**

4 There is hereby appropriated from the general fund from funds not otherwise appropriated
5 an amount sufficient to provide a dedicated grant of funding to department of environmental
6 management (DEM), specifically to commission an environmental study for the public benefit and
7 to aid DEM in the exercise of its enforcement and jurisdictional prerogatives concerning freshwater
8 wetlands in and around Johnson's Pond located in the town of Coventry, the tributaries flowing
9 from Johnson's Pond and entering into the Pawtuxet River flowing through the towns of West
10 Warwick, Warwick and Cranston.

11 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 appropriate from the general fund an amount sufficient to provide a
2 dedicated grant of funding to DEM, specifically to commission an environmental study for the
3 public benefit and to aid DEM in the exercise of its enforcement and jurisdictional prerogatives
4 concerning freshwater wetlands in and around Johnson's Pond.

5 This act would take effect upon passage.

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