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**Memorandum**

**To:** The Honorable Helio Melo  
Chairman, House Finance Committee

The Honorable Daniel DaPonte  
Chairman, Senate Finance Committee

**From:** Thomas A. Mullaney *Thomas A. Mullaney*  
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**Date:** May 17, 2012

**Subject:** Amendments to Article 5 and Article 19 of the FY 2013 Appropriations Act (12-H-7323)

The Governor requests that Article 5, Relating to Capital Development Program, be amended to include an additional November 2012 ballot question to fund a new long-term care facility for the RI Veterans' Home. The new question would authorize the issuance of \$49.5 million of general obligation bonds to design and construct a modern long-term care facility on the campus of the Rhode Island Veterans' Home in Bristol. The new facility would replace the building that currently houses the Rhode Island Veterans' Home, which is antiquated and inefficient.

As a result of this addition to the ballot, the Governor also recommends that Article 19 – Relating to the Rhode Island Veterans Home be withdrawn from the appropriations act.

Attached are the amendments needed to add the above mentioned question to the November 2012 ballot. If you have any questions regarding this change to Article 5, please feel free to call Daniel Orgel at 222-2329 or Sandra Powell at 462-2121.

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Attachments

cc: Sharon Reynolds Ferland, House Fiscal Advisor  
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Amendments to Article 5, Relating to Relating to Capital Development Program

Page 88, after line 13, insert the language below:

(6) Rhode Island Veterans' Home..... \$49,500,000

Approval of this question will authorize the State of Rhode Island to issue general obligation bonds, refunding bonds, and temporary notes in an amount not to exceed forty-nine million five hundred thousand dollars (\$49,500,000) to design and construct a new modern long-term care facility for Rhode Island Veterans.

Page 92, after line 26, insert the language below:

Question 6 relating to bonds in the amount of forty-nine million five hundred thousand dollars (\$49,500,000) for a new Rhode Island Veterans' Home.

Provides funding to the Department of Human Services to design and construct a modern long-term care facility for Rhode Island Veterans.