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**STATE OF RHODE ISLAND**

**IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY**

**JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2015**

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**H O U S E R E S O L U T I O N**

**CREATING A SPECIAL LEGISLATIVE COMMISSION TO STUDY THE CATEGORIES,  
METHODS, AND MONETARY IMPLICATIONS OF TAXING VARIOUS PERSONAL  
RETIREMENT INCOME AND PENSION INCOME PAID TO RHODE ISLANDERS BY  
OUT-OF-STATE EMPLOYERS**

Introduced By: Representatives Canario, Edwards, Abney, Ruggiero, and Shekarchi

Date Introduced: January 15, 2015

Referred To: House Finance

1           RESOLVED, That a special legislative commission be and the same is hereby created  
2 consisting of seven (7) members: two (2) of whom shall be members of the Rhode Island House  
3 of Representatives, not more than one from the same political party, to be appointed by the  
4 Speaker of the House; one of whom shall be the Chair of the House Finance Committee, or  
5 designee; one of whom shall be the Director of the Rhode Island Department of Revenue, or  
6 designee; one of whom shall be the Auditor General, or designee; one of whom shall be the  
7 Director of the Department of Administration, or designee; and one of whom shall be the Rhode  
8 Island General Treasurer, or designee.

9           In lieu of any appointment of a member of the legislature to a permanent advisory  
10 commission, a legislative study commission, or any commission created by a General Assembly  
11 resolution, the appointing authority may appoint a member of the general public to serve in lieu  
12 of a legislator, provided that the Majority Leader or the Minority Leader of the political party  
13 which is entitled to the appointment consents to the appointment of the member of the general  
14 public.

15           The purpose of said commission shall be to make a comprehensive study and analysis of  
16 the laws of Rhode Island and nearby states, and procedures for taxing various personal retirement  
17 income and pension income paid by out-of-state employers, including, but not limited to the fiscal  
18 impact of various exemptions and tax policy on social security income, federal, state, military,

1 and civil service pensions, in order to determine whether to amend, alter, or repeal any applicable  
2 law, policies, or regulations to better serve the best interest of the citizens of the State of Rhode  
3 Island.

4         Forthwith upon passage of this resolution, the members of the commission shall meet at  
5 the call of the Speaker of the House and organize and shall select from among the legislators a  
6 chairperson. Vacancies in said commission shall be filled in like manner as the original  
7 appointment.

8         The membership of said commission shall receive no compensation for their services.

9         All departments and agencies of the state shall furnish such advice and information,  
10 documentary and otherwise, to said commission and its agents as is deemed necessary or  
11 desirable by the commission to facilitate the purposes of this resolution.

12         The Speaker of the House is hereby authorized and directed to provide suitable quarters  
13 for said commission; and be it further

14         RESOLVED, That the commission shall report its findings and recommendations to the  
15 House of Representatives on or before June 3, 2015, and said commission shall expire on  
16 September 3, 2015.

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EXPLANATION  
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2 whose purpose it would be to study the laws of Rhode Island and nearby states, and procedures  
3 for taxing various personal retirement income and pension income paid by our-of-state  
4 employers, and who would report back to the House of Representatives no later than June 3,  
5 2015, and whose life would expire on September 3, 2015.

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