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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2019

AN ACT

RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS - MINIMUM WAGES

Introduced By: Representatives Ranglin-Vassell, Walsh, Williams, Blazejewski, and Ajello Date Introduced: February 27, 2019

Referred To: House Labor

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

- SECTION 1. Section 28-12-3 of the General Laws in Chapter 28-12 entitled "Minimum
 Wages" is hereby amended to read as follows:
 <u>28-12-3. Minimum wages.</u>
- 4 (a) Every employer shall pay to each of his or her employees: commencing July 1, 1999,
 5 at least the minimum wage of five dollars and sixty-five cents (\$5.65) per hour. Commencing

6 September 1, 2000, the minimum wage is six dollars and fifteen cents (\$6.15) per hour.

- 7 (b) Commencing January 1, 2004, the minimum wage is six dollars and seventy-five
 8 cents (\$6.75) per hour.
- 9 (c) Commencing March 1, 2006, the minimum wage is seven dollars and ten cents 10 (\$7.10) per hour.

(d) Commencing January 1, 2007, the minimum wage is seven dollars and forty cents
(\$7.40) per hour.

(e) Commencing January 1, 2013, the minimum wage is seven dollars and seventy-five
cents (\$7.75) per hour.

15 (f) Commencing January 1, 2014, the minimum wage is eight dollars (\$8.00) per hour.

16 (g) Commencing January 1, 2015, the minimum wage is nine dollars (\$9.00) per hour.

17 (h) Commencing January 1, 2016, the minimum wage is nine dollars and sixty cents18 (\$9.60) per hour.

19 (i) Commencing January 1, 2018, the minimum wage is ten dollars and ten cents (\$10.10)

- 1 per hour.
- 2 (j) Commencing January 1, 2019, the minimum wage is ten dollars and fifty cents
- 3 (\$10.50) per hour.
- 4 (k) Notwithstanding any other provision of this section, commencing January 1, 2020, the
- 5 city of Providence shall not pay any city employee less than fifteen dollars (\$15.00) per hour.
- 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 require the city of Providence to pay its employees no less than fifteen
- 2 dollars (\$15.00) per hour commencing January 1, 2020.
- 3 This act would take effect upon passage.

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