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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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RELATING TO WEIGHTS AND MEASURES -- PRODUCE SCALES IN MARKETS

Introduced By: Representatives Slater, and Diaz

Date Introduced: January 25, 2012

Referred To: House Corporations

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1           SECTION 1. Section 47-2-7 of the General Laws in Chapter 47-2 entitled "Produce  
2 Scales in Markets" is hereby amended to read as follows:  
3           **47-2-7. Fees and compensation of sealer -- Condemnation of incorrect scales or**  
4 **balances.** -- (a) The sealer of weights and measures, in any town or city, shall receive a fee of  
5 twenty-five cents (25/c) for every weight, wine, or dry measure, sealed by him or her at his or her  
6 office; the sealer shall receive a fee of twenty-five cents (25/c) for every yardstick or yard  
7 measure sealed by him or her; for sealing every spring balance of a capacity less than one  
8 hundred pounds (100 lbs.) the sealer shall receive a fee of two dollars (\$2.00), for every spring  
9 balance of a capacity of one hundred (100) and less than five hundred pounds (500 lbs.), three  
10 dollars (\$3.00); for every platform scale of a capacity of five thousand pounds (5,000 lbs.) or  
11 more, five dollars (\$5.00); for every balance of a capacity of less than five thousand pounds  
12 (5,000 lbs.), two dollars (\$2.00); for every steel yard of a capacity of fifty pounds (50 lbs.) or less,  
13 one dollar (\$1.00); and for every steel yard of a capacity over fifty pounds (50 lbs.), two dollars  
14 (\$2.00); every scale or balance used for weighing people shall be tested, and if found correct shall  
15 be sealed, by the sealer, and he or she shall receive a fee of two dollars (\$2.00) for each and every  
16 scale or balance so sealed. If any of the scales or balances are found to be incorrect, then they  
17 shall be condemned and their use forbidden as hereinbefore provided. For proving and sealing  
18 coal and wood baskets, he or she shall receive a fee of fifty cents (50/c) each, and for every  
19 charcoal basket so sealed, sixty cents (60/c); he or she shall also have a reasonable compensation

1 for all repairs, alterations, and adjustments which it may be necessary for the sealer to make,  
2 made by him or her, and for the expenses incurred in visiting any place, as provided for in section  
3 47-2-5. These fees and compensation shall be paid to the sealer by the person owning or using the  
4 weights, measures, or balances so adjusted and sealed. Every person violating the provisions of  
5 this section shall be fined not exceeding one hundred dollars (\$100) for each offense, one-half (  
6 1/2) thereof to go to the town or city and one-half ( 1/2) to the complainant. All the fees received  
7 by any sealer of weights and measures of any town or city shall be retained by him or her as  
8 compensation for his or her services except as hereinafter provided. Any town or city council  
9 may, at any time, by ordinance fix an annual salary for the sealer of weights and measures of the  
10 town or city, and in that case the fees received by him or her shall be paid over by him or her to  
11 the town or city treasurer, at the time or times prescribed by any ordinance of the town or city.

12 (b) (1) For every spring balance or balance scale of a capacity of less than ten pounds (10  
13 lbs.), he or she shall receive a fee of five dollars (\$5.00); for every spring balance or balance scale  
14 of a capacity of more than ten pounds (10 lbs.) and less than one hundred pounds (100 lbs.), he or  
15 she shall receive a fee of six dollars (\$6.00); for every spring balance, balance scale, or platform  
16 scale of a capacity of more than one hundred pounds (100 lbs.) and less than one thousand pounds  
17 (1,000 lbs.), he or she shall receive a fee of ten dollars (\$10.00).

18 ~~(2) Subject to the sealing provisions and fees shall be any spring balance, balance scale,~~  
19 ~~or platform scale maintained by any hospital or treatment center located within the city of~~  
20 ~~Providence.~~

21 ~~(3)~~(2) If any of the scales or balances are found to be incorrect, they shall be condemned  
22 and their use forbidden as hereinbefore provided.

23 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon passage.

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EXPLANATION  
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1           This act would enable hospitals and treatment centers located in Providence to calibrate  
2 scales within their facilities.

3           This act would take effect upon passage.

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