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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2014

AN ACT

RELATING TO PUBLIC UTILITIES AND CARRIERS - REGULATORY POWERS OF ADMINISTRATION

Introduced By: Senators Raptakis, Archambault, Satchell, and Kettle

Date Introduced: January 30, 2014

Referred To: Senate Commerce

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. Chapter 39-3 of the General Laws entitled "Regulatory Powers of
- 2 Administration" is hereby amended by adding thereto the following section:
- 3 39-3-44. Electric rates tied to the consumer price index. -- Notwithstanding any
- 4 provisions of the general laws to the contrary, any increase in rates proposed to be charged by an
- 5 electric distribution company as defined in chapter 1 of this title, shall be no greater than the
- 6 percentage increase in the Consumer Price Index for all Urban Consumers (CPI-U) as published
- 7 by the United States Department of Labor Bureau of Labor Statistics determined as of September
- 8 <u>30 of the prior calendar year.</u>
- 9 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon passage.

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EXPLANATION

BY THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

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This act would provide that any rate increase with respect to electric distribution companies would be no greater than the Consumer Price Index.

This act would take effect upon passage.

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