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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2018

AN ACT

RELATING TO PUBLIC PROPERTY AND WORKS - MINORITY BUSINESS ENTERPRISE

Introduced By: Senators Lynch Prata, Metts, Gallo, and Coyne

Date Introduced: February 01, 2018

Referred To: Senate Commerce

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 37-14.1-6 of the General Laws in Chapter 37-14.1 entitled

2 "Minority Business Enterprise" is hereby amended to read as follows:

37-14.1-6. Minority business enterprise participation.

(a) Minority business enterprises shall be included in all procurements and construction

projects under this chapter and shall be awarded a minimum of ten percent (10%) of the dollar

6 value of the entire procurement or project. The director of the department of administration is

7 further authorized to establish by rules and regulation the certification process and formulas for

8 giving minority business enterprises a preference in contract and subcontract awards.

9 (b) Any minority business enterprise that is certified under the federal Small Business

Act, 15 U.S.C. § 632, shall be deemed to be certified by the department of administration as a

minority business enterprise and shall only be required to submit evidence of federal certification

12 <u>of good standing.</u>

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SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon passage.

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EXPLANATION

BY THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

OF

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This act would provide that any minority business enterprise that is certified under the Federal Small Business Act shall be deemed certified by the department of administration as a minority business enterprise.

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