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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2022

AN ACT

RELATING TO WATERS AND NAVIGATION -- INSPECTION OF DAMS AND RESERVOIRS -- ENVIRONMENTAL STUDY OF JOHNSON'S POND

Introduced By: Senators Raptakis, Rogers, Burke, F Lombardi, Calkin, Anderson, E Morgan, Paolino, Murray, and Archambault
Date Introduced: February 08, 2022

Referred To: Senate Environment & Agriculture

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

- SECTION 1. Chapter 46-19 of the General Laws entitled "Inspection of Dams and
- 2 Reservoirs" is hereby amended by adding thereto the following section:
 - 46-19-8.1. Environmental study of Johnson's Pond.
- 4 There is hereby appropriated from the general fund from funds not otherwise appropriated
- 5 an amount sufficient to provide a dedicated grant of funding to department of environmental
- 6 management (DEM), specifically to commission an environmental study for the public benefit and
- 7 to aid DEM in the exercise of its enforcement and jurisdictional prerogatives concerning freshwater
- 8 wetlands in and around Johnson's Pond located in the town of Coventry, the tributaries flowing
- 9 from Johnson's Pond and entering into the Pawtuxet River flowing through the towns of West
- 10 Warwick, Warwick and Cranston.
- 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 appropriate from the general fund an amount sufficient to provide a
2	dedicated grant of funding to DEM, specifically to commission an environmental study for the
3	public benefit and to aid DEM in the exercise of its enforcement and jurisdictional prerogatives
4	concerning freshwater wetlands in and around Johnson's Pond.
5	This act would take effect upon passage.
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