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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2010

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RELATING TO EDUCATION -- KINDERGARTEN

Introduced By: Senators DeVall, Crowley, Maselli, Tassoni, and Miller

Date Introduced: February 11, 2010

Referred To: Senate Education

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Chapter 16-2 of the General Laws entitled "School Committees and
2 Superintendents" is hereby amended by adding thereto the following section:

3 **16-2-28.3. Kindergarten -- Hours of instruction -- School day. --** Notwithstanding any
4 provisions of the general or public laws or rule or regulation to the contrary, a kindergarten
5 school day must contain at least five and one half (5 ½) hours (three hundred thirty (330)
6 minutes) of actual school work excluding lunch, recess periods, common planning time, pre and
7 post school teacher time, study halls, homeroom periods, student passing time and any other time
8 that is not actual instructional time. Student advisory periods may be counted as instructional
9 time. The commissioner has discretion to decide whether other school programs may be counted
10 as instructional time.

11 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 provide an increase in the hours per day kindergarten students would be
2 required to attend class.

3 This act would take effect upon passage.

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