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RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- HUMAN RESOURCE
INVESTMENT COUNCIL

Introduced By: Senator Dennis L. Algieri

Date Introduced: February 11, 2010

Referred To: Senate Labor

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 42-102-2 of the General Laws in Chapter 42-102 entitled "Rhode
2 Island Human Resource Investment Council" is hereby amended to read as follows:

3 **42-102-2. Composition of council.** -- ~~(a) Effective until January 1, 2005, the council~~
4 ~~shall be composed of twenty seven (27) members of whom no less than one third (1/3) shall be~~
5 ~~women as follows:~~

6 ~~(1) One shall be appointed by the governor from the nongovernmental sector to serve as~~
7 ~~chairperson of the council;~~

8 ~~(2) Eight (8) shall be appointed by the governor from the employer community, two (2)~~
9 ~~of whom shall be from the nonprofit sector, and at least two (2) of whom must be women from~~
10 ~~the following employer groups:~~

11 ~~(i) Two (2) from companies with fewer than twenty five (25) employees;~~

12 ~~(ii) Two (2) from companies with twenty five (25) to two hundred fifty (250) employees;~~

13 ~~(iii) Two (2) from companies with more than two hundred fifty (250) employees; and~~

14 ~~(iv) Two (2) from minority owned companies;~~

15 ~~(3) Three (3) members from organized labor shall be appointed by the governor;~~

16 ~~(4) One member from a community based organization representing minorities shall be~~
17 ~~appointed by the governor;~~

18 ~~(5) One individual who serves as the chairperson of the governor's commission on~~

1 disabilities;

2 ~~-(6) Six (6) individuals shall serve on the council by virtue of their respective positions as~~
3 ~~chairpersons of the following organizations:~~

4 ~~-(i) Three (3) individuals, who serve as chairpersons of their respective private industry~~
5 ~~councils;~~

6 ~~-(ii) One individual who serves as chairperson of the Rhode Island state apprenticeship~~
7 ~~council; and~~

8 ~~-(iii) One individual who serves as chairperson of the pathways to independence advisory~~
9 ~~council;~~

10 ~~-(7) The president of the senate and the speaker of the house shall appoint one individual~~
11 ~~each from their respective chambers to become members of the council;~~

12 ~~-(8) The directors or commissioners of the following four (4) departments and~~
13 ~~corporation shall serve on the council: employment and training, Rhode Island economic~~
14 ~~development corporation, human services, elementary and secondary education, and higher~~
15 ~~education;~~

16 ~~-(9) The executive director of the Rhode Island economic policy council shall serve on~~
17 ~~the council; and~~

18 ~~-(10) Any individual serving on the council as of June 1, 2004 shall remain on the council~~
19 ~~until the new members are appointed and confirmed by the senate.~~

20 ~~-(b) Effective January 1, 2005, the~~ The council shall be composed of ~~fifteen (15)~~
21 ~~members, thirteen (13)~~ fourteen (14) members appointed by the governor, with the advice and
22 consent of the senate, at least four (4) of whom shall be women, at least three (3) of whom shall
23 be from minority communities, and at least one of whom shall be a person with disabilities, as
24 follows:

25 (1) One shall be appointed by the governor to serve as chairperson of the council;

26 (2) Six (6) shall be appointed by the governor from the employer community, in a
27 manner that is representative of employers of different sizes and sectors, including the nonprofit
28 sector; provided, however, that in the event that there is established a state workforce investment
29 board that is separate and distinct from the council, then one of the six (6) representatives of the
30 employer community shall be the chairperson of the state work force investment board, and if all
31 employer community appointments have been duly made and are filled, then the appointed
32 chairperson of the state workforce investment board shall be made with the next available
33 appointment of a representative of the employer community;

34 (3) Four (4) members from organized labor shall be appointed by the governor;

1 (4) Two (2) members from community-based organizations shall be appointed by the
2 governor;

3 (5) ~~The president of the senate and the speaker of the house shall appoint one individual~~
4 ~~each from their respective chambers to be members of the council.~~ The director of the department
5 of labor and training shall be appointed as a member of the council.

6 (c) ~~Transitional Provisions.—The council as provided for in subsection (b) shall assume~~
7 ~~the powers, duties and responsibilities set forth in this chapter, and the council as provided for in~~
8 ~~subsection (a) shall be terminated, and shall cease to exist and all the powers, duties, and~~
9 ~~responsibilities of the council as provided for in subsection (a) shall be transferred to the council~~
10 ~~as provided in subsection (b); the governor may appoint persons serving on the council as~~
11 ~~provided for in subsection (a) to the council as provided for in subsection (b), as provided for in~~
12 ~~section 42-102-4(a), and may appoint an interim executive director who shall serve until such~~
13 ~~time as an executive director is appointed in accordance with section 42-102-3(b). All rules,~~
14 ~~regulations, decisions, actions, and approvals taken by the council as provided in subsection (a)~~
15 ~~shall remain in full force and effect until superseded, amended, revised, or rescinded by the~~
16 ~~council as provided for in subsection (b). The present council will continue its duties and~~
17 ~~responsibilities until the new members of the council are appointed and a number sufficient to~~
18 ~~satisfy a quorum are confirmed by the senate.~~

19 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 change the composition of the Rhode Island human resources investment
- 2 council by adding the director of the department of labor and training as a member.
- 3 This act would take effect upon passage.

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