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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2010

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RELATING TO EDUCATION - CERTIFICATION OF PERSONNEL

Introduced By: Senator Walter S. Felag

Date Introduced: March 10, 2010

Referred To: Senate Housing & Municipal Government

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 16-48.1-4 of the General Laws in Chapter 16-48.1 entitled
2 "Certification of Personnel Providing Educational Services to Very Young Children" is hereby
3 amended to read as follows:

4 **16-48.1-4. Criminal records checks -- Operations.** -- (a) Any person seeking to operate
5 a facility covered under section 16-48-1 shall apply to the bureau of criminal identification of the
6 state police or the local police department for a nationwide criminal records check. The check
7 will conform to the applicable federal standards including the taking of fingerprints to identify the
8 applicant. The commissioner will determine by rule those items of information appearing on a
9 criminal records check which constitute disqualifying information because the information would
10 indicate that the operation or, in the case of an employee, the employment could endanger the
11 health or welfare of a child or children. Upon the discovery of any disqualifying information with
12 respect to a proposed operator, the bureau of criminal identification of the state police or the local
13 police department will inform the commissioner in writing of the nature of the disqualifying
14 information.

15 (b) Notwithstanding any provision of the general or public laws to the contrary, the town
16 of Warren is hereby authorized to charge a reasonable fee for performing criminal record checks
17 as required by this chapter.

1 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon passage.

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EXPLANATION
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1 This act would authorize the town of Warren to charge a reasonable fee for performing
2 criminal record checks relating to those people providing educational services to very young
3 children.

4 This act would take effect upon passage.

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