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**STATE OF RHODE ISLAND**

**IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY**

**JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2008**

**J O I N T   R E S O L U T I O N**

**CREATING A SPECIAL LEGISLATIVE COMMISSION TO STUDY ECONOMIC  
OPPORTUNITIES RELATING TO PORT DEVELOPMENT IN THE STATE OF RHODE  
ISLAND**

Introduced By: Senators Moura, Sosnowski, Goodwin, Ruggerio, and Algieri

Date Introduced: January 22, 2008

Referred To: Senate Constitutional & Regulatory Issues

1           RESOLVED, That a special legislative commission be and the same is hereby created  
2 consisting of ten (10) members: five (5) of whom shall be members of the house of  
3 representatives, not more than four (4) from the same political party, to be appointed by the  
4 speaker of the house and one of whom shall be appointed by the minority leader; five (5) of  
5 whom shall be members of the senate, not more than four (4) from the same political party, to be  
6 appointed by the president of the senate, and one of whom shall be appointed by the minority  
7 leader.

8           Members of the general public may be appointed in lieu of legislators provided that at  
9 least one member shall be appointed from the senate and one member shall be appointed from the  
10 house, and the appointments shall be made by the same authority as for the legislators supplanted.

11           The purpose of the commission shall be to study economic opportunities relating to Port  
12 development in the state of Rhode Island.

13           Forthwith upon passage of this resolution, the members of the commission shall meet at  
14 the call of the speaker of the house and the president of the senate and organize and shall select a  
15 chairperson. Vacancies in the commission shall be filled in like manner as the original  
16 appointment.

17           The membership of the commission shall receive no compensation for their services.

18           All departments and agencies of the state shall furnish such advice and information,  
19 documentary and otherwise, to the commission and its agents as is deemed necessary or desirable

1 by the commission to facilitate the purposes of this resolution.

2 The joint committee on legislative services is hereby authorized and directed to provide  
3 suitable quarters for the commission; and be it further

4 RESOLVED, That the commission shall report its preliminary findings and  
5 recommendations to the General Assembly no later than May 1, 2008 and the commission shall  
6 expire on March 31, 2009.

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EXPLANATION  
BY THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL  
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1           This resolution would create a ten (10) member special legislative commission whose  
2 purpose would be to study economic opportunities relating to Port development in the state of  
3 Rhode Island, and who would make a preliminary report back to the General Assembly no later  
4 than May 1, 2008 and whose life would expire on March 31, 2009.

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