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Memorandum

To: The Honorable Steven M. Costantino
Chairman, House Finance Committee

The Honorable Daniel DaPonte
Chairman, Senate Finance Committee

From: Rosemary Booth Gallogly
Executive Director/State Budget Officer

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Date: January 6, 2010

Subject: Amendments to Article 9 of FY 2010 Supplemental Appropriations Act

The Governor requests that two sections of Article 9 of the FY 2010 revised Appropriations Act, entitled "Relating to Education Aid" be amended as shown below, with the new language indicated by shading.

SECTION 1: In new subsection 16-2-21.4(d), change the underlined first sentence from:

"Notwithstanding any provision of general or public laws to the contrary, when a category of state aid to education or general revenue sharing is reduced or suspended to any local school district or municipal government after July 1, 2009, the provisions of subsections 16-2-21.4(a), 16-21.4(b), or 16-21.4(c) shall be abated for the fiscal year in which the reduction or suspension of any aid is implemented."

to the following:

"Notwithstanding any provision of general or public laws to the contrary, when a category of state aid to education or state aid appropriated pursuant to section 45-13 of the general laws is reduced or suspended to any local school district or municipal government after July 1, 2009, the provisions of subsections 16-2-

21.4(a), 16-21.4(b), or 16-21.4(c) shall be abated for the fiscal year in which the reduction or suspension of any aid is implemented.”

SECTION 2: In subsection 16-7.1-15(f), change the general revenue distribution for Burrillville, Pawtucket, and Portsmouth as follows:

Burrillville - Replace \$12,179,624 with ~~\$12,209,624~~ for an increase of \$30,000.

Pawtucket - Replace \$58,855,629 with ~~\$58,870,629~~ for an increase of \$15,000.

Portsmouth - Replace \$5,354,104 with ~~\$5,414,104~~ for an increase of \$60,000.

The Section 1 change is a technical amendment to clarify the intent of statutory change. The Section 2 changes reflect education aid adjustments based on the final group home placement numbers in these communities. The net change in the Governor's recommended appropriation is a \$105,000 increase. This will be funded by a reduction in charter aid based on enrollments and will be transmitted as an Article 1 amendment in the future.

If you have any questions regarding the amendments to Article 9, please feel free to call me or Peder Schaefer at 222-7700.

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Attachment

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Date: January 11, 2010

Subject: Amendments to Article 13 of FY 2010 Supplemental Appropriations Act

The Governor requests that two amendments be made to Article 13 of the FY 2010 revised Appropriations Act, entitled "Relating to Municipal Retirement" be amended as shown below, with the new language indicated by shading.

In SECTION 2, insert "(a)" before the word "Upon" as indicated below:

§ 45-21-22. Accidental disability allowance. – (a) Upon retirement for accidental disability, a member receives a retirement allowance equal to sixty-six and two-thirds percent (66 2/3%) of the rate of the member's compensation at the date of the member's retirement subject to the provisions of § 45-21-31.

In SECTION 5, change the underlined sentence from:

"All provisions of Title 45 of the RI General Laws including but not limited to 45-21-52, 45-21.1-5, and 45-21.2-5 authorizing or requiring cost of living adjustments for retired municipal, fire, or police employees are eliminated for all such employees not eligible to retire on the effective date of this Article."

to the following:

“Provisions of Title 45 of the RI General Laws including but not limited to 45-21-52, 45-21.1-5, and 45-21.2-5, authorizing or requiring cost of living adjustments for retired municipal, fire, or police employees shall not apply to any such employee who has completed at least ten (10) years of contributory service by July 1, 2010.”

The first amendment is a technical amendment that corrects formatting of the article. The second amendment is to make the municipal COLA initiative reasonably consistent with previously enacted COLA changes relating to state employees and teachers.

If you have any questions regarding the amendments to Article 13, please feel free to call me or Peder Schaefer at 222-7700.

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