

# RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL

No. 193

*Approved* April 15, 1994

RESOLVED, that the City Council endorses and urges passage by the General Assembly of Senate Bill 94-S 2908 and House Bill 94-H 8888 Relating to Human Services - Anti-Poverty Funds, in substantially the form attached.

IN CITY COUNCIL  
APR 7 1994  
READ AND PASSED  
*James H. Smith*  
PRES.  
*Michael L. Clement*  
CLERK

APPROVED  
APR 15 1994  
*Vincent A. Cianci*  
MAYOR

APR 17 1994

IN CITY COUNCIL

March 17, 1994

FIRST READING

REFERRAL

COMMITTEE ON

Legislative Matters

*Michelle R. Jones* CLERK

THE COMMITTEE ON

Legislative Matters

Approves For

The Within Report

*As Amended*

*Barbara A. Fairer*

3/31/94

Clerk

*Councilman Blawie, Lombardi and Aglerzi (By request)*

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## STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

94-S 2908

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 1994

## A N A C T

RELATING TO HUMAN SERVICES--  
 ANTI-POVERTY FUNDS

94 - S - 2908

Introduced By: Senator Robert T.  
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Date Introduced: February 17, 1994

Referred To: Senate Committee on  
 Finance

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Title 40 of the General Laws entitled "Human Ser-  
 2 vices" is hereby amended by adding thereto the following chapter:

## CHAPTER 6.6

## STATE ANTI-POVERTY RECONCILIATION ACT

5 40-6.6-1. Purpose. -- It is the purpose of this chapter to pro-  
 6 vide for the equitable distribution of federal anti-poverty funds  
 7 which are provided to the state by the various federal agencies. Fur-  
 8 ther, it is a requirement of the community services block grant  
 9 reauthorization act of 1990 that a state "provide a range of services  
 10 and activities having a measurable and potentially major impact on  
 11 causes of poverty in the community where poverty is a particularly  
 12 acute problem." To accomplish this, these funds must be directed to  
 13 the communities within this state which have the greatest needs.

14 40-6.6-2. Definitions. -- When used in this chapter and unless  
 15 the specific context indicates otherwise:

16 (a) "Community" means any city or towns located within the state  
 17 of Rhode Island;

1       (b) "Community action agencies" shall mean those agencies oper-  
2       ating within a community dedicated to providing services to the poor;

3       (c) "Census" shall mean the census figures established by the  
4       federal census bureau pursuant to its census activities within the  
5       state;

6       (d) "Department" shall mean the department of human services for  
7       the state of Rhode Island;

8       (e) "United States Governmental Agencies" shall mean those agen-  
9       cies which regularly provide funds to the state for use in community  
10      related activities to assist the poor, including, but not limited to,  
11      the department of energy and the department of health and human ser-  
12      vices.

13      40-6.6-3. Distribution of funds -- Percentage allocation. --

14      (a) The department of human services shall have responsibility for  
15      distribution of these funds to the cities and towns. The allocation  
16      of funds shall be based upon a percentage allocation formula to be  
17      established as follows:

18      (1) The department shall determine the total number of families  
19      within the state of Rhode Island with incomes less than or equal to,  
20      one hundred twenty-five percent (125%) of the poverty income guide-  
21      lines, as established by the most recent census.

22      (2) The department shall determine the total number of families  
23      within each of the cities and towns of the state of Rhode Island with  
24      incomes less than or equal to, one hundred twenty-five percent (125%)  
25      of the poverty income guidelines, as established by the United States  
26      department of health and human services.

27      (3) The allocatable funds shall be distributed to each of the  
28      cities and towns based upon the relation of the number of families  
29      within each city or town at or below their established level to the  
30      total number of families within the state, in total, at or below this  
31      level.

32      (b) The department of human services shall establish rules and  
33      regulations to allow for the implementation of this program of distri-

1 bution.

2 40-6.6-4. Severability. -- If any provision in any section of  
3 this chapter or application thereof to any person or circumstances is  
4 held invalid, its invalidity does not affect other provisions or  
5 applications of the chapter which can be given effect without the  
6 invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of  
7 this chapter are severable.

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

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EXPLANATION

BY THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

OF

AN ACT

RELATING TO HUMAN SERVICES--  
ANTI-POVERTY FUNDS

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- 1        This act would establish a program for the distribution of  
2        federal anti-poverty funds by means of a percentage allocation  
3        based upon the number of families within each city or town at or  
4        below the established poverty guideline.  
5        This act would take effect upon passage.

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## STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

94-H 8888

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 1994

## A N A C T

RELATING TO HUMAN SERVICES --  
ANTI-POVERTY FUNDS

94-H 8888

Introduced By: Reps. Williams, S. Smith,  
Moura, Metts and Castro  
Date Introduced: February 17, 1994Referred To: Committee on Finance

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

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24       incomes less than or equal to, one hundred twenty-five percent (125%)  
25       of the poverty income guidelines, as established by the United States  
26       department of health and human services.

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3       held invalid, its invalidity does not affect other provisions or  
4       applications of the chapter which can be given effect without the  
5       invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of  
6       this chapter are severable.

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

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94-H 8888

EXPLANATION

BY THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

OF

AN ACT

RELATING TO HUMAN SERVICES --  
ANTI-POVERTY FUNDS

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- 2        federal anti-poverty funds by means of a percentage allocation
- 3        based upon the number of families within each city or town at or
- 4        below the established poverty guideline.
- 5        This act would take effect upon passage.

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# RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL

No. 194

*Approved* April 15, 1994

RESOLVED, that the City Council endorses and urges passage by the General Assembly of House Bill 94-H 8924 Relating to Demolition Liens, in substantially the form attached.

IN CITY COUNCIL  
APR 7 1994  
READ AND PASSED  
*[Signature]*  
PRES.  
*[Signature]*  
CLERK

APPROVED  
APR 15 1994  
*[Signature]*  
MAYOR

IN CITY COUNCIL

READ AND PASSED

RECEIVED

CLERK

IN CITY COUNCIL  
Mar. 17, 1994  
FIRST READING  
REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON  
~~FINANCE~~  
Michael L. Clark CLERK

THE COMMITTEE ON  
Legislative Matters  
Approves Passage of  
The Within Resolution As Amended  
Buckley & Fairer  
3/31/94 Carl

Commissioner Glavin, Lombardi and Hyllegge (By request)

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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

94-H 8924

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 1994

A N A C T

RELATING TO DEMOLITION LIENS

94-H 8924

Introduced By: Rep. Kushner, Moura,  
Caprio,

S. Smith, and Fox

Date Introduced: February 17, 1994

Referred To: Committee on Corporations

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 23-27.3-125.7 of the General Laws in Chapter  
2 23-27.3 entitled "State Building Code" is hereby amended to read as  
3 follows:

4 23-27.3-125.7. Lien for emergency repairs. -- Whenever the owner  
5 fails to comply with an order to repair, board, or demolish a build-  
6 ing, sign, or structure as required by the building official, and the  
7 building official has made repairs, boarded, or demolished the build-  
8 ing, sign, or structure, reasonable costs incurred by the building  
9 official in the action shall be a lien against the real property, and  
10 the lien shall be enforced in the manner provided or authorized by law  
11 for the enforcement of common-law liens on personal property. The  
12 lien shall be recorded with the records of land evidence of the munic-  
13 ipality, and the lien shall incur legal interest from the date of  
14 recording. Said lien shall be superior to any other lien, encum-  
15 brance, or interest in the real estate whether by way of mortgage,  
16 attachment, or otherwise, except easements and restrictions. The  
17 costs incurred by the building official plus the interest thereon

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1 shall be added to the amount of taxes due on said real estate and  
2 shall also be considered eligible for collection under the regulations  
3 governing the collection of taxes as provided in chapter 44-9.

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

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EXPLANATION  
BY THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL  
OF  
AN ACT  
RELATING TO DEMOLITION LIENS

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1 The act would make demolition liens, held by a city or town  
2 after demolition of an unsafe structure by said city or town,  
3 superior to any other liens or mortgages and would make them  
4 equivalent in priority to property taxes and collectible under  
5 the same procedures as property taxes.

6 This act would take effect upon passage.