

THE CITY OF PROVIDENCE
STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL

No. 137

Approved March 9, 1981

RESOLVED, That the City Solicitor is hereby requested to prepare and cause to be introduced in the General Assembly of the State of Rhode Island legislation providing for reimbursement by the State of Rhode Island to the City of Providence of the cost of services provided to tax-exempt institutions and properties located in the City of Providence, such legislation to be substantially based on legislation presently in existence in the State of Connecticut, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit A.

IN CITY COUNCIL
MAR 5 1981

READ AND PASSED

Ralph T. Lenz
PRES.

Dozen Mendonca
CLERK

APPROVED
Vincent A. Cianci
MAYOR

MAR 9 1981

IN CITY COUNCIL
FEB 5 1981
FIRST READING
REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

Rose M. Mendonça CLERK

THE COMMITTEE ON

FINANCE

Approves Passage of
The Within Resolution

Rose M. Mendonça
Chairman

Feb. 24, 1981

Councilman Farmer

Substitute House Bill No. 5997

PUBLIC ACT NO. 78-213

AN ACT CONCERNING STATE GRANTS TO MUNICIPALITIES
IN LIEU OF PROPERTY TAXES ON PROPERTY OF PRIVATE
COLLEGES AND GENERAL HOSPITALS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of
Representatives in General Assembly convened:

Section 1. (NEW) On or before December first,
annually, the tax commissioner shall determine the
amount due to each municipality in the state, in
accordance with this section, as a state grant in
lieu of taxes with respect to real property owned
by any private nonprofit institution of higher
education or any nonprofit general hospital
facility, exclusive of any such facility operated
by the federal government or the state of
Connecticut or any subdivision thereof. As used
in this section "private nonprofit institution of
higher education" means any such institution
engaged primarily in education beyond the high
school level, the property of which is exempt from
property tax under any of the subsections of
section 12-81 of the general statutes; "nonprofit
general hospital facility" means any such facility
which is used primarily for the purpose of general
medical care and treatment, exclusive of any
hospital facility used primarily for the care and
treatment of special types of disease or physical
or mental conditions. The grant payable to any
municipality under the provisions of this section
in the state fiscal year commencing July 1, 1978,
and in each such fiscal year thereafter, shall be
equal to twenty-five per cent of the property
taxes which, except for any exemption applicable
to any such institution of higher education or
general hospital facility under the provisions of
section 12-81 of the general statutes, would have
been paid with respect to such exempt real
property on the assessment list in such
municipality for the assessment date immediately
preceding commencement of the state fiscal year in
which such grant is payable. The amount of the
grant payable to each municipality in any year in
accordance with this section shall be reduced
proportionately in the event that the total of
such grants in such year exceeds the amount
appropriated for the purposes of this section with
respect to such year. As used in sections 1 and 2
of this act the word "municipality" means any
town, consolidated town and city, consolidated

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town and borough and any city not consolidated with a town.

Sec. 2. (NEW) Not later than July first in any year, any municipality to which a grant is payable under the provisions of section 1 of this act shall provide the tax commissioner with the assessed valuation of the tax exempt real property which is required for computation of such grant. Said commissioner may on or before November first next succeeding the receipt of such statement, reevaluate any such property when, in his judgment, the valuation is inaccurate and shall notify such municipality of such reevaluation. Any municipality aggrieved by the action of said commissioner under the provisions of this section may, within two weeks of such notice, appeal to the superior court for the county wherein such municipality is located. Any such appeal shall be privileged. Said commissioner shall certify to the comptroller the amount due each municipality under the provisions of section 1 of this act, or under any recomputation which may be effected as the result of an appeal under this section, and the comptroller shall draw his order on the treasurer on or before the fifteenth day of December following and the treasurer shall pay the amount thereof to such municipality on or before the thirty-first day of December following.

Sec. 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 1978.

Certified as correct by

Legislative Commissioner.

Clerk of the Senate.

Clerk of the House.

Approved _____, 1978

Governor.