

THE CITY OF PROVIDENCE
STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL

No. 239

EFFECTIVE ~~APPROVED~~ May 28, 2006

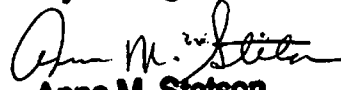
RESOLVED, That the Members of the Providence City Council
hereby Endorses and Urges Passage by the General Assembly of Senate Bill 2006-
S 2135, Relating to Education – The Rhode Island Student Investment Initiative.

IN CITY COUNCIL
MAY 18 2006
READ AND PASSED

PRES.

CLERK

Effective without the
Mayor's Signature:


Anna M. Stetson
City Clerk

IN CITY COUNCIL
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FIRST READING
REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON
STATE LEGISLATION
Ann M. Stettin CLERK

THE COMMITTEE ON
STATE LEGISLATION
Recommends Approval

Carol B. Burt
may 2, 2006
CLERK

Lombardi. By Request

The State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations

Town of Glocester

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the education of our students has and will continue to be the cornerstone of a successful and prosperous community, but rising costs in all aspects of our lives requires us to seek funding from the State of Rhode Island to supplement our education costs and mandates; and


WHEREAS, the school aid amount that is anticipated for distribution by the State of Rhode Island may not increase at a rate that coincides with a community's need; therefore, this proposed amendment would provide for an annual minimum five percent (5%) increase from the previous year in state aid to education; and

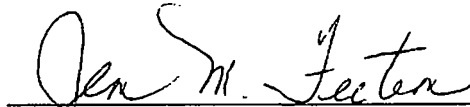
WHEREAS, the Town Council and Town Clerk of the Town of Glocester would like to give their support to Senate Bill 2006 S - 2135, An Act Relating to Education—The Rhode Island Student Investment Initiative as introduced by Senators Fogarty, Tassoni, Cote, Blais and Breene; and

WHEREAS, copies of this Resolution in support of the proposed amendment will be forwarded to the remaining 38 cities and towns of Rhode Island as well as our local legislators requesting their support of Senate Bill S-2135; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Council and Town Clerk of the Town of Glocester seek enactment of this amendment by the General Assembly.




Steven A. Sette, President
Glocester Town Council


Jean M. Fecteau, Town Clerk

Adopted at the March 2, 2006 Town Council Meeting.

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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2006

A N A C T

RELATING TO EDUCATION -- THE RHODE ISLAND STUDENT INVESTMENT
INITIATIVE

Introduced By: Senators P Fogarty, Tassoni, Cote, Blais, and Breene

Date Introduced: January 24, 2006

Referred To: Senate Finance

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 16-7.1-15 of the General Laws in Chapter 16-7.1 entitled "The
2 Rhode Island Student Investment Initiative" is hereby amended to read as follows:

3 **16-7.1-15. The Rhode Island student investment initiative.** -- (a) Each locally or
4 regionally operated school district shall receive ~~as a base the same~~ a five percent (5%) increase in
5 the amount of school aid as each district received in fiscal year 1997-1998, adjusted to reflect the
6 increases or decreases in aid enacted to meet the minimum and maximum funding levels
7 established for FY 2000 through FY 2005. Each school district shall also receive school aid
8 through each investment fund for which that district qualifies pursuant to sections 16-7.1-8, 16-
9 7.1-9, 16-7.1-10, 16-7.1-11, 16-7.1-12, 16-7.1-16 and 16-7.1-19. These sums shall be in addition
10 to the base amount described in this section. For FY 2007 total school aid distributed under the
11 investment funds enumerated above shall constitute not less than a five percent (5%) increase in
12 aid received in FY 2005 under sections 16-7.1-6, 16-7.1-8, 16-7.1-9, 16-7.1-10, 16-7.1-11, 16-
13 7.1-12, 16-7.1-15(d), 16-7.1-16, and 16-7.1-19. Calculation and distribution of education aid
14 under sections 16-5-31, 16-5-32, 16-7-20, 16-7-20.5, 16-7-34.2, 16-7-34.3, 16-24-6, 16-54-4, and
15 16-67-4 is hereby suspended. The funding of the purposes and activities of chapter 67 of this title,
16 the Rhode Island Literacy and Dropout Prevention Act of 1967, shall be the same amount of the
17 base amount of each district funded for that purpose in fiscal year 1997-1998. In addition each
18 district shall expend three percent (3%) of its student equity and early childhood funds under the

1 provisions of chapter 67 of this title.

2 (b) Funding for full day kindergarten programs in accordance with section 16-7.1-11.1
3 shall be in addition to funding received under this section.

4 (c) Funding distributed under sections 16-77.1-2(b) and 16-64-1.1 shall be in addition to
5 funding distributed under this section.

6 (d) There shall be an appropriation to ensure that total aid distributed to communities in
7 FY 2006 under this section and sections 16-7.1-11.1, 16-64-1.1 and 16-77.1-2(b) shall be as
8 follows:

9	Barrington	2,479,907
10	Burrillville	13,145,661
11	Charlestown	1,910,676
12	Coventry	19,151,316
13	Cranston	33,943,638
14	Cumberland	12,646,981
15	East Greenwich	1,860,042
16	East Providence	25,530,776
17	Foster	1,351,283
18	Glocester	3,065,960
19	Hopkinton	5,954,153
20	Jamestown	507,432
21	Johnston	10,413,088
22	Lincoln	7,062,603
23	Little Compton	351,839
24	Middletown	10,014,086
25	Narragansett	1,809,860
26	Newport	11,253,278
27	New Shoreham	101,451
28	North Kingstown	11,434,463
29	North Providence	12,623,955
30	North Smithfield	4,611,787
31	Pawtucket	63,782,029
32	Portsmouth	5,962,443
33	Providence	185,048,912
34	Richmond	5,903,843

1	Scituate	3,250,400
2	Smithfield	5,407,726
3	South Kingstown	9,948,816
4	Tiverton	5,659,091
5	Warwick	35,894,621
6	Westerly	6,528,189
7	West Warwick	19,499,965
8	Woonsocket	45,425,511
9	Bristol-Warren	19,554,956
10	Exeter-West Greenwich	7,308,493
11	Charlton	380,004
12	Foster-Glocester	5,466,199
13	Central Falls	41,319,965

14 This special provision shall not limit entitlements as determined by application of other
15 formula provisions in this section.

16 (e) Children with disabilities. - (1) Based on its review of special education within the
17 context of Rhode Island school reform, the general assembly recommends addressing the needs of
18 all children and preventing disability through scientific research based, as described in the No
19 Child Left Behind Act of 2001, Title 1, Part B, Section 1208 [20 U.S.C. section 6368] reading
20 instruction and the development of Personal Literacy Programs for students in the early grades
21 performing below grade level in reading and implement a system of student accountability that
22 will enable the state to track individual students over time. Additionally, the department of
23 elementary and secondary education must provide districts with rigorous criteria and procedures
24 for identifying students with learning disabilities and speech/language impairments. Additional
25 study is required of factors that influence programming for students with low incidence
26 disabilities; those with disabilities that severely compromise life functions; and programming for
27 students with disabilities through urban special education. Alternatives for funding special
28 education require examination.

29 (2) All departments and agencies of the state shall furnish any advice and information,
30 documentary and otherwise, to the general assembly and its agents that is deemed necessary or
31 desirable by the study to facilitate the purposes of this section.

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

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EXPLANATION
BY THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL
OF

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