

THE CITY OF PROVIDENCE
STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL

No. 246

Approved May 11, 2001

RESOLVED, That the Members of the Providence City Council
hereby endorse and urge Passage by the General Assembly of Senate Bill
2001-S 0745 and House Bill 2001-H 5540 Relating to State Aid, in
substantially the form attached.

IN CITY COUNCIL
MAY 10, 2001
READ AND PASSED

Barbara Young
PRES., Acting

Michael R. Clement
CLERK

APPROVED

MAY 11 2001

Thomas A. Crum
MAYOR

IN COUNCIL
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OFFICE

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FIRST READING
REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON
STATE LEGISLATION
Michael R. Christ CLERK
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THE COMMITTEE ON
State Legislation
Recommends Approval
Claire E. Buttrick
CLERK
May 2, 2001

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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

01-H 5540

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2001

A N A C T

RELATING TO STATE AID

2001-H 5540

Introduced By: Reps. Moura, Palangio, Slater, Cicilline and Almeida

Date Introduced: February 6, 2001

Referred To: Committee on Finance

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 45-13-5.1 of the General Laws in Chapter 45-13 entitled "State
2 Aid" is hereby amended to read as follows:

3 45-13-5.1. General assembly appropriations in lieu of property tax from certain
4 exempt private and state properties -- (a) In lieu of the amount of local real property tax on
5 real property owned by any private nonprofit institution of higher education, or any nonprofit
6 hospital facility, or any state owned and operated hospital, veterans' residential facility, or
7 correctional facility occupied by more than 100 residents which may have been or will be
8 exempted from taxation by applicable state law, exclusive of any facility operated by the federal
9 government, the state of Rhode Island, or any of its subdivisions, the general assembly shall
10 annually appropriate for payment to the several cities and towns in which the property lies a sum
11 equal to twenty-seven percent (27%) of all tax that would have been collected had the property
12 been taxable.

13 The state appropriation in the fiscal year commencing July 1, 2001 shall be equal to
14 thirty-five percent (35%) of the tax that would have been collected had the property been taxed.
15 In the fiscal year commencing July 1, 2002, the rate shall be forty percent (40%); in the fiscal
16 year commencing July 1, 2003, the rate shall be forty-five percent (45%); in the fiscal year
17 commencing July 1, 2004, and for every fiscal year thereafter, the rate shall be fifty percent
18 (50%).

1 (b) As used in this section, "private nonprofit institution of higher education" means any
2 institution engaged primarily in education beyond the high school level, the property of which is
3 exempt from property tax under any of the subdivisions, and "nonprofit hospital facility" means
4 any nonprofit hospital licensed by the state and which is used for the purpose of general medical,
5 surgical, or psychiatric care and treatment.

6 (c) The grant payable to any municipality under the provision of this section shall be
7 equal to twenty-seven percent (27%) of the property taxes which, except for any exemption to
8 any institution of higher education or general hospital facility, would have been paid with respect
9 to that exempt real property on the assessment list in the municipality for the assessment date of
10 December 31, 1986 and with respect to such exempt real property appearing on an assessment list
11 in the municipality on succeeding assessment dates.

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18 (d) The state budget offices shall include the amount of the annual grant in the state
19 budget for the fiscal year commencing July 1, 1988 and each fiscal year thereafter. The amount
20 of the grant payable to each municipality in any year in accordance with this section shall be
21 reduced proportionately in the event that the total of those grants in each year exceeds the amount
22 appropriated for the purposes of this section with respect to that year.

23 (e) Distribution of appropriations shall be made by the state on or before July 31 of 1988
24 and each July 31 thereafter, and the payments may be counted as a receivable by any city or town
25 for a fiscal year ending the preceding June 30.

26 (f) Any act or omission by the state with respect to this chapter shall in no way diminish
27 the duty of any town or municipality to provide public safety or other ordinary services to the
28 properties or facilities of the type listed in subsection (a).

29 (g) Provided, that payments authorized pursuant to this section shall be reduced pro rata,
30 for that period of time that the municipality suspends or reduces essential services to eligible
31 facilities. For the purposes of this section "essential services" include, but are not to be limited to,
32 police, fire and rescue.

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SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon passage.

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EXPLANATION

BY THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

01-H 5540

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RELATING TO STATE AID

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IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2001

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RELATING TO STATE AID

01-S 0745

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Introduced By: Senators Ruggerio, Goodwin and Roney

Date Introduced: February 14, 2001

Referred To: Senate Committee on Finance

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