

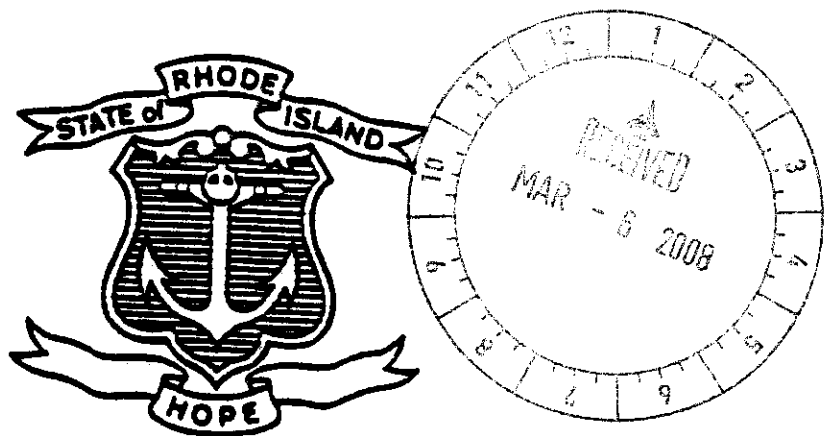
PUBLIC LAWS

OF THE

**STATE OF RHODE ISLAND
AND
PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS**

**PASSED BY THE
GENERAL ASSEMBLY
AT THE
JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2007**

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**JOINT COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE SERVICES
SPEAKER WILLIAM J. MURPHY, CHAIRPERSON**

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(3) Adoption and effect of standards and guidelines.— (a) The commission shall consider any actuarial methods, principles, standards, models, or output ranges that have the potential for improving the accuracy of or reliability of the hurricane loss projections used in residential property insurance rate filings. The commission shall, from time to time, adopt findings as to the accuracy or reliability of particular methods, principles, standards, models, or output ranges.

(b) The commission shall adopt revisions to previously adopted actuarial methods, principles, standards, models, or output ranges at least annually.

(c) A trade secret that is used in designing and constructing a hurricane loss model and that is provided pursuant to this section, by a private company, to the commission, is confidential and shall not be deemed a public record pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 38-2.

(2) That portion of a meeting of the commission or of a rate proceeding on an insurer's rate filing at which a trade secret made confidential and exempt by this paragraph is discussed shall be deemed confidential and not open to disclosure pursuant to the open meetings act, but may be discussed at a closed meeting as provided for in Chapter 42-46..

(3) The Rhode Island commission is hereby authorized to form a multi-state commission with the states of Massachusetts, Connecticut and any other interested state in furtherance of the goals of this act.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect on January 1, 2008.

Chapter 132

2007 — H 6486

Enacted 06/27/07

AN ACT

IN AMENDMENT OF SECTION 9 OF AN ACT PASSED AT THE JANUARY SESSION A.D. 1942 ENTITLED "AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE WESTERN COVENTRY FIRE DISTRICT" AS AMENDED

Introduced By: Representatives Gorham, and Moffitt
Date Introduced: June 05, 2007

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 9 of an act passed at the January Session A.D. 1942 entitled "An Act To Incorporate The Western Coventry Fire District" is hereby further amended to read as follows:

SECTION 9. Said fire district may also borrow money for the purposes above specified and issue its notes or bond therefor which shall be binding upon said district in

the same manner as town or city notes or bonds are binding upon the city or town issuing them but said district shall not have outstanding at any one time notes or bonds of a face value of more than ~~one~~ two million dollars ~~(\$1,000,000)~~ (\$2,000,000).

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon the approval of a majority of the electors eligible to vote at an annual or special meeting of said fire district, after due notice is given.

Chapter 133

2007 — H 6143 SUBSTITUTE B AS AMENDED

Enacted 06/27/07

AN ACT

RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES — ESTABLISHING THE SMART DEVELOPMENT FOR A CLEANER BAY ACT OF 2007

Introduced By: Representatives Sullivan, Ginaitt, Segal, Moffitt, and Savage

Date Introduced: March 13, 2007

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

SECTION 1. Title 45 of the General Laws entitled “TOWNS AND CITIES” is hereby amended by adding thereto the following chapter:

CHAPTER 61.2

THE SMART DEVELOPMENT FOR A CLEANER BAY ACT OF 2007

45-61.2-1. Findings. — (a) The general assembly hereby recognizes and declares that:

(1) Stormwater, when not properly controlled and treated, causes pollution of the waters of the state, threatens public health, and damages property. Stormwater carries pollutants into rivers, streams, ponds, coves, drinking water aquifers and Narragansett Bay;

(2) Stormwater reaches the state’s waters by streets, roads, lawns and other means. As a result, public use of the state’s natural resources for drinking water, swimming, fishing, shellfishing and other forms of recreation is limited and in some cases prohibited;

(3) Development often results in increased stormwater runoff by increasing the size and number of paved and other impervious surfaces within the state, and decreasing the amount of natural surface areas that naturally control stormwater runoff through natural filtration and groundwater recharge systems;

(4) Rhode Island’s State Land Use Policies and Plan “Land Use 2025” predicts under the “Current Trend Scenario” that by 2025 an area comprising over one hundred

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