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Memorandum

To:

The Honorable Steven M. Costantino

Chairman, House Finance Committee

The Honorable Daniel DaPonte

Chairman, Senate Finance Committee

From:

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- Rupaller Executive Director/State Budget Officer

Date:

January 6, 2010

Subject:

Amendments to Article 9 of FY 2010 Supplemental Appropriations Act

The Governor requests that two sections of Article 9 of the FY 2010 revised Appropriations Act, entitled "Relating to Education Aid" be amended as shown below, with the new language indicated by shading.

SECTION 1: In new subsection 16-2-21.4(d), change the underlined first sentence from:

"Notwithstanding any provision of general or public laws to the contrary, when a category of state aid to education or general revenue sharing is reduced or suspended to any local school district or municipal government after July 1, 2009, the provisions of subsections 16-2-21.4(a), 16-21.4(b), or 16-21.4(c) shall be abated for the fiscal year in which the reduction or suspension of any aid is implemented."

to the following:

"Notwithstanding any provision of general or public laws to the contrary, when a category of state aid to education or state aid appropriated pursuant to section 45-13 of the general laws is reduced or suspended to any local school district or municipal government after July 1, 2009, the provisions of subsections 16-2-

21.4(a), 16-21.4(b), or 16-21.4(c) shall be abated for the fiscal year in which the reduction or suspension of any aid is implemented."

SECTION 2: In subsection 16-7.1-15(f), change the general revenue distribution for Burrillville, Pawtucket, and Portsmouth as follows:

Burrillville - Replace \$12,179,624 with \$12,209,624 for an increase of \$30,000.

Pawtucket - Replace \$58,855,629 with \$58,870,629 for an increase of \$15,000.

Portsmouth - Replace \$5,354,104 with \$5,414,104 for an increase of \$60,000.

The Section 1 change is a technical amendment to clarify the intent of statutory change. The Section 2 changes reflect education aid adjustments based on the final group home placement numbers in these communities. The net change in the Governor's recommended appropriation is a \$105,000 increase. This will be funded by a reduction in charter aid based on enrollments and will be transmitted as an Article 1 amendment in the future.

If you have any questions regarding the amendments to Article 9, please feel free to call me or Peder Schaefer at 222-7700.

RBG:sm 10-04 Attachment

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