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4 **Cumberland School Committee Resolution**
5 **Change to RIGL 16-7-40 (c) and (d)**
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7 Please consider a subtle change to RIGL 16-7-40 (c) and (d), which aligns the expiration of all six
8 temporary Housing Aid bonuses and affords LEAs an additional year in planning and construction lost
9 addressing COVID-19, along with the global supply chain challenge.

10 **Section 16-7-40. Increased school housing ratio.**

11 (c) For purposes of addressing health and safety deficiencies as defined by the school building authority,
12 including the remediation of hazardous materials, the school housing aid ratio shall be increased by five
13 percent (5%) so long as the construction of the project commences by December 30, 2023, is completed
14 by December 31, 2027, and a two hundred fifty million dollar (\$250,000,000) general obligation bond
15 is approved on the November 2018 ballot, in order to qualify for the increased share ratio, twenty-five
16 percent (25%) of the project costs or a minimum of five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000) must be
17 specifically directed to this purpose.

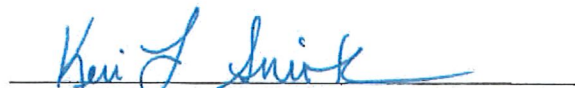
18 (d) For purposes of educational enhancement, including projects devoted to the enhancement of early
19 childhood education and career and technical education, the school housing aid ratio shall be increased
20 by five percent (5%) so long as construction of the project commences by December 30, 2023, is
21 completed by December 30, 2027, and a two hundred fifty million dollar (\$250,000,000) general
22 obligation bond is approved on the November 2018 ballot. In order to qualify for the increased share
23 ratio, twenty-five percent (25%) of the project costs or a minimum of five hundred thousand dollars
24 (\$500,000) must specifically directed to these purposes.

25 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:** That the Cumberland School Committee respectfully
26 requests the Rhode Island General Assembly support the extension of S 16-7-40. Increased school
27 housing ratio.

28 **RESOLVED:** That a copy of this Resolution be forwarded to every Rhode Island Municipality, School
29 Committee, State Senator, State Representative, and the Governor.

30 **WHERETO:** The following bear witness:

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33 Karen A. Freedman, Chair

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36 Keri L. Smith, Clerk

35 Date Adopted: 11/18/2021

36 Passed: 7-0