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3 **FC-R-2016-07**  
4 **CUMBERLAND FIRE DISTRICT**  
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6 **Resolution:** **Requesting that the General Assembly enact legislation providing that the**  
7 **Cumberland Fire District is a public body**  
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9 Be it resolved by the Cumberland Fire District as follows:  
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12 **Whereas,** Currently the following RI State Departments consider the Cumberland Fire District  
13 (CFD) to be a public body and such all rules, regulations and laws regarding public  
14 body are applied.  
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16 The RI Attorney General Office  
17 The Department of Revenue  
18 The Office of Municipal Finance  
19 The Ethics Commission  
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21 **Whereas,** Other state agencies do not consider the CFD a public body and, therefore, the CFD,  
22 its commissioners and employees are treated inconsistently with regard to various  
23 agency decisions.  
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25 **Whereas,** The CFD wishes to be recognized as a public body so that all state agency treatment  
26 is consistent.  
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28 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CUMBERLAND FIRE DISTRICT AS FOLLOWS:**  
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30 **Section 1.** The Cumberland Fire District requests that the General Assembly enact legislation  
31 providing that it is a public body.  
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33 Date adopted: March 1, 2016  
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38 Bruce Lemois, Chairman  
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42 Deborah Auclair, Clerk

40 **PASSED**

41 **YAY:**

42 Matta

Parent

Lemois

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Champagne

**NAY:**

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It was noted at this meeting that one of the reasons we were not noticed by the PWSB about the 100% rate increase could have been due to the confusing position about the CFD status as a public body.