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***Raised Bill No. 6109***

LCO No. 2608



Referred to Committee on COMMITTEE ON CHILDREN

Introduced by:  
(KID)

***AN ACT CONCERNING THE ALBERT J. SOLNIT CHILDREN'S CENTER.***

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Subsection (a) of section 19a-490 of the general statutes is  
2 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective April*  
3 *1, 2022*):

4 (a) "Institution" means a hospital, short-term hospital special hospice,  
5 hospice inpatient facility, residential care home, nursing home facility,  
6 home health care agency, home health aide agency, behavioral health  
7 facility, assisted living services agency, substance abuse treatment  
8 facility, outpatient surgical facility, outpatient clinic, an infirmary  
9 operated by an educational institution for the care of students enrolled  
10 in, and faculty and employees of, such institution; a facility engaged in  
11 providing services for the prevention, diagnosis, treatment or care of  
12 human health conditions, including facilities operated and maintained  
13 by any state agency; and a residential facility for persons with  
14 intellectual disability licensed pursuant to section 17a-227 and certified  
15 to participate in the Title XIX Medicaid program as an intermediate care

16 facility for individuals with intellectual disability. "Institution" does not  
17 include any facility for the care and treatment of persons with mental  
18 illness or substance use disorder operated or maintained by any state  
19 agency, except Whiting Forensic Hospital and the hospital and  
20 psychiatric residential treatment facility units of the Albert J. Solnit  
21 Children's Center;

22 Sec. 2. Section 19a-490 of the general statutes is amended by adding  
23 subsection (q) as follows (*Effective April 1, 2022*):

24 (NEW) (q) "Psychiatric residential treatment facility" means a  
25 nonhospital facility with a provider agreement with the Department of  
26 Social Services to provide inpatient services to Medicaid-eligible  
27 individuals under the age of twenty-one.

28 Sec. 3. (NEW) (*Effective from passage*) (a) The Commissioner of Public  
29 Health shall adopt regulations, in accordance with the provisions of  
30 chapter 54 of the general statutes, concerning licensure by the  
31 Department of Public Health of the psychiatric residential treatment  
32 facilities, as defined in subsection (q) of section 19a-490 of the general  
33 statutes, as amended by this act, at the Albert J. Solnit Children's Center.

34 (b) The commissioner may implement policies and procedures  
35 concerning the licensure of the psychiatric residential treatment  
36 facilities of the Albert J. Solnit Children's Center while in the process of  
37 adopting regulations pursuant to subsection (a) of this section, provided  
38 (1) notice of intent to adopt regulations is published on the eRegulations  
39 System not later than twenty days after the date of implementation of  
40 such policies and procedures, and (2) such policies and procedures are  
41 consistent with the proposed regulations. Any policies and procedures  
42 implemented under this subsection shall be valid until the time final  
43 regulations are adopted.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>April 1, 2022</i>	19a-490(a)

Sec. 2	<i>April 1, 2022</i>	19a-490
Sec. 3	<i>from passage</i>	New section

**KID**      *Joint Favorable*