



General Assembly

Amendment

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LCO No. 7401



Offered by:
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To: Subst. House Bill No. 6423 File No. 431 Cal. No. 320

(As Amended)

"AN ACT CONCERNING IMMUNIZATIONS."

1 Strike everything after the enacting clause and substitute the
2 following in lieu thereof:

3 "Section 1. Subsection (a) of section 10-204a of the general statutes is
4 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1,*
5 *2021*):

6 (a) Each local or regional board of education, or similar body
7 governing a nonpublic school or schools, shall require each child to be
8 protected by adequate immunization against diphtheria, pertussis,
9 tetanus, poliomyelitis, measles, mumps, rubella, [hemophilus]
10 haemophilus influenzae type B and any other vaccine required by the
11 schedule for active immunization adopted pursuant to section 19a-7f
12 before being permitted to enroll in any program operated by a public or
13 nonpublic school under its jurisdiction. Before being permitted to enter
14 seventh grade, a child shall receive a second immunization against

15 measles. Any such child [who] (1) who presents a certificate from a
16 physician, physician assistant, advanced practice registered nurse or
17 local health agency stating that initial immunizations have been given
18 to such child and additional immunizations are in process under
19 guidelines and schedules specified by the Commissioner of Public
20 Health; or (2) who presents a certificate from a physician, physician
21 assistant or advanced practice registered nurse stating that in the
22 opinion of such physician, physician assistant or advanced practice
23 registered nurse such immunization is medically contraindicated
24 because of the physical condition of such child; or (3) [presents a
25 statement from the parents or guardian of such child] whose parents or
26 guardians indicate verbally or in writing that such immunization would
27 be contrary to the religious beliefs of such child or the parents or
28 guardian of such child; [, which statement shall be acknowledged, in
29 accordance with the provisions of sections 1-32, 1-34 and 1-35, by (A) a
30 judge of a court of record or a family support magistrate, (B) a clerk or
31 deputy clerk of a court having a seal, (C) a town clerk, (D) a notary
32 public, (E) a justice of the peace, (F) an attorney admitted to the bar of
33 this state, or (G) notwithstanding any provision of chapter 6, a school
34 nurse;] or (4) who in the case of measles, mumps or rubella, presents a
35 certificate from a physician, physician assistant or advanced practice
36 registered nurse or from the director of health in such child's present or
37 previous town of residence, stating that the child has had a confirmed
38 case of such disease; or (5) who in the case of [hemophilus] haemophilus
39 influenzae type B has passed his fifth birthday; or (6) who in the case of
40 pertussis, has passed his sixth birthday, shall be exempt from the
41 appropriate provisions of this section. If the parents or guardians of any
42 child are unable to pay for such immunizations, the expense of such
43 immunizations shall, on the recommendations of such board of
44 education, be paid by the town. Before being permitted to enter seventh
45 grade, the parents or guardian of any child who is exempt on religious
46 grounds from the immunization requirements of this section, pursuant
47 to subdivision (3) of this subsection, shall [present to such school a
48 statement] indicate verbally or in writing that such immunization
49 requirements are contrary to the religious beliefs of such child or the

50 parents or guardian of such child. [, which statement shall be
51 acknowledged, in accordance with the provisions of sections 1-32, 1-34
52 and 1-35, by (A) a judge of a court of record or a family support
53 magistrate, (B) a clerk or deputy clerk of a court having a seal, (C) a town
54 clerk, (D) a notary public, (E) a justice of the peace, (F) an attorney
55 admitted to the bar of this state, or (G) notwithstanding any provision
56 of chapter 6, a school nurse.]"

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>July 1, 2021</i>	10-204a(a)