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Introduced by:  
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***AN ACT CONCERNING THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH'S  
RECOMMENDATIONS REGARDING VARIOUS REVISIONS TO THE  
PUBLIC HEALTH STATUTES.***

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

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2 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from*  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

4 (l) "Assisted living services agency" means an agency that provides [,  
5 among other things] individuals with services that include, but are not  
6 limited to, nursing services and assistance with activities of daily living  
7 [to a population that is chronic and stable] and may have a dementia  
8 special care unit or program as defined in section 19a-562;

9 Sec. 2. Section 20-195n of the general statutes is repealed and the  
10 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

11 (a) No person shall practice clinical social work unless such person  
12 has obtained a license pursuant to this section.

13 (b) An applicant for licensure as a master social worker shall [:(1)  
14 Hold] hold a master's degree from a social work program accredited by  
15 the Council on Social Work Education or, if educated outside the United  
16 States or its territories, have completed an educational program deemed  
17 equivalent by the council. [; and (2) pass the masters level examination  
18 of the Association of Social Work Boards or any other examination  
19 prescribed by the commissioner.]

20 (c) An applicant for licensure as a clinical social worker shall: (1) Hold  
21 a doctorate or master's degree from a social work program accredited  
22 by the Council on Social Work Education or, if educated outside the  
23 United States or its territories, have completed an educational program  
24 deemed equivalent by the council; (2) have three thousand hours post-  
25 master's social work experience which shall include not less than one  
26 hundred hours of work under professional supervision by a licensed  
27 clinical or certified independent social worker, provided on and after  
28 October 1, 2011, such hours completed in this state shall be as a licensed  
29 master social worker; and (3) pass the clinical level examination of the  
30 Association of Social Work Boards or any other examination prescribed  
31 by the commissioner. On and after October 1, 1995, any person certified  
32 as an independent social worker prior to October 1, 1995, shall be  
33 deemed licensed as a clinical social worker pursuant to this section,  
34 except a person certified as an independent social worker on and after  
35 October 1, 1990, shall not be deemed licensed as a clinical social worker  
36 pursuant to this chapter unless such person has satisfied the  
37 requirements of subdivision (3) of this subsection.

38 (d) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (b) of this section,  
39 the commissioner may grant a license by endorsement to an applicant  
40 who presents evidence satisfactory to the commissioner that the  
41 applicant [(1)] is licensed or certified as a master social worker or clinical  
42 social worker in good standing in another state or jurisdiction whose  
43 requirements for practicing in such capacity are substantially similar to  
44 or higher than those of this state. [, and (2) has successfully completed  
45 the master level examination of the Association of Social Work Boards,  
46 or its successor organization, or any other examination prescribed by

47 the commissioner.] No license shall be issued under this subsection to  
48 any applicant against whom professional disciplinary action is pending  
49 or who is the subject of an unresolved complaint.

50 (e) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (c) of this section,  
51 the commissioner may grant a license by endorsement to an applicant  
52 who presents evidence satisfactory to the commissioner that the  
53 applicant (1) is licensed or certified as a clinical social worker in good  
54 standing in another state or jurisdiction whose requirements for  
55 practicing in such capacity are substantially similar to or greater than  
56 those of this state, and (2) has successfully completed the clinical level  
57 examination of the Association of Social Work Boards, or its successor  
58 organization, or any other examination prescribed by the commissioner.  
59 No license shall be issued under this subsection to any applicant against  
60 whom professional disciplinary action is pending or who is the subject  
61 of an unresolved complaint.

62 (f) Notwithstanding the provisions of this section, an applicant who  
63 is licensed or certified as a clinical social worker or its equivalent in  
64 another state, territory or commonwealth of the United States may  
65 substitute three years of licensed or certified work experience in the  
66 practice of clinical social work in lieu of the requirements of subdivision  
67 (2) of subsection (c) of this section, provided the commissioner finds that  
68 such experience is equal to or greater than the requirements of this state.

69 (g) The commissioner shall notify each applicant who is approved to  
70 take an examination required under subsection [(b),] (c), (d) or (e) of this  
71 section that such applicant may be eligible for testing accommodations  
72 pursuant to the federal Americans with Disabilities Act, 42 USC 12101  
73 et seq., as amended from time to time, or other accommodations, as  
74 determined by the Association of Social Work Boards, or its successor  
75 organization, which may include the use of a dictionary while taking  
76 such examination and additional time within which to take such  
77 examination.

78 Sec. 3. Subsections (a) and (b) of section 20-195u of the general

79 statutes are repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof  
80 (*Effective October 1, 2023*):

81 (a) Except as otherwise provided in this section, each clinical social  
82 worker, licensed pursuant to the provisions of this chapter, and, on and  
83 after October 1, 2011, each master social worker licensed pursuant to this  
84 chapter shall complete a minimum of fifteen hours of continuing  
85 education during each registration period in the following manner: (1)  
86 Not less than five hours shall be earned through in-person or  
87 synchronous online education with opportunities for live interaction;  
88 and (2) not more than ten hours shall be earned through asynchronous  
89 online education, distance learning or home study. For purposes of this  
90 section, "synchronous online education" means live online classes that  
91 are conducted in real time, "asynchronous online education" means a  
92 program where the instructor, learner and other participants are not  
93 engaged in the learning process at the same time, there is no real-time  
94 interaction between participants and instructors and the educational  
95 content is created and made available for later consumption and  
96 "registration period" means the twelve-month period for which a license  
97 has been renewed in accordance with section 19a-88 and is current and  
98 valid.

99 (b) Continuing education required pursuant to this section shall be  
100 related to the practice of social work and shall include not less than one  
101 contact hour of training or education each registration period on the  
102 topic of cultural competency and, on and after January 1, 2016, not less  
103 than two contact hours of training or education during the first renewal  
104 period in which continuing education is required and not less than once  
105 every six years thereafter on the topic of mental health conditions  
106 common to veterans and family members of veterans, including (1)  
107 determining whether a patient is a veteran or family member of a  
108 veteran, (2) screening for conditions such as post-traumatic stress  
109 disorder, risk of suicide, depression and grief, and (3) suicide prevention  
110 training. Such continuing education shall consist of courses, workshops  
111 and conferences offered or approved by the Association of Social Work  
112 Boards, the National Association of Social Workers or a school or

113 department of social work accredited by the Council on Social Work  
114 Education. [A licensee's ability to engage in on-line and home study  
115 continuing education shall be limited to not more than ten hours per  
116 registration period. Within the registration period, an initial  
117 presentation by a licensee of an original paper, essay or formal lecture  
118 in social work to a recognized group of fellow professionals may  
119 account for five hours of continuing education hours of the aggregate  
120 continuing education requirements prescribed in this section.]

121 Sec. 4. Subsection (b) of section 20-265b of the general statutes are  
122 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from*  
123 *passage*):

124 (b) On and after January 1, 2020, each person seeking an initial license  
125 as an esthetician shall apply to the department on a form prescribed by  
126 the department, accompanied by an application fee of one hundred  
127 dollars and evidence that the applicant (1) has completed a course of not  
128 less than six hundred hours of study and received a certification of  
129 completion from a school approved under section 20-265g or section  
130 [20-26] 20-262 or in a school outside of the state whose requirements are  
131 equivalent to a school approved under section 20-265g, or (2) (A) if  
132 applying before January 1, [2022,] 2025, (i) has practiced esthetics  
133 continuously in this state for a period of not less than two years prior to  
134 July 1, 2020, or (ii) completed a course of study and received a certificate  
135 of completion from a school approved under section 20-265g or section  
136 20-262, and (B) is in compliance with the infection prevention and  
137 control plan guidelines prescribed by the department under section 19a-  
138 231 in the form of an attestation.

139 Sec. 5. Subsection (b) of section 20-265d of the general statutes is  
140 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from*  
141 *passage*):

142 (b) On and after October 1, 2020, each person seeking an initial license  
143 as a nail technician shall apply to the department on a form prescribed  
144 by the department, accompanied by an application fee of one hundred

145 dollars and evidence that the applicant (1) has completed a course of not  
 146 less than one hundred hours of study and received a certificate of  
 147 completion from a school approved under section 20-265g or section 20-  
 148 262 or in a school outside of the state whose requirements are equivalent  
 149 to a school approved under section 20-265g, or (2) (A) if the applicant is  
 150 applying on or before January 1, [2022,] 2025, (i) has practiced as a nail  
 151 technician continuously in this state for a period of not less than two  
 152 years prior to January 1, 2021, and is in compliance with the infection  
 153 prevention and control plan guidelines prescribed by the department  
 154 under section 19a-231 in the form of an attestation, or (ii) has received a  
 155 certificate of completion from a school approved under section 20-265g  
 156 or section 20-262, or (B) has obtained a license as a nail technician trainee  
 157 and a statement signed by the applicant's supervisor at the spa or salon  
 158 where the licensed nail technician trainee is employed documenting  
 159 completion of the minimum requirements specified in section 20-265e.  
 160 If an applicant employed as a nail technician on or after September 30,  
 161 2020, does not have evidence satisfactory to the commissioner of  
 162 continuous practice as a nail technician for not less than two years, such  
 163 applicant may apply to the department for a nail technician trainee  
 164 license, under section 20-265e, provided such person applies for an  
 165 initial trainee license not later than January 1, 2021.

166       Sec. 6. Subsection (b) of section 20-206mm of the general statutes is  
 167 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from*  
 168 *passage*):

169       (b) An applicant for licensure by endorsement shall present evidence  
 170 satisfactory to the commissioner that the applicant (1) is licensed or  
 171 certified as a paramedic in another state or jurisdiction whose  
 172 requirements for practicing in such capacity are substantially similar to  
 173 or higher than those of this state and that the applicant has no pending  
 174 disciplinary action or unresolved complaint against him or her, or (2)  
 175 (A) [is currently licensed or certified as a paramedic in good standing in  
 176 any New England state, New York or New Jersey, (B)] has completed  
 177 an initial training program consistent with the National Emergency  
 178 Medical Services Education Standards, as promulgated by the National

179 Highway Traffic Safety Administration for the paramedic scope of  
180 practice model conducted by an organization offering a program that is  
181 recognized by the national emergency medical services program  
182 accrediting organization, [(C)] (B) for applicants applying on or after  
183 January 1, 2020, has completed mental health first aid training as part of  
184 a program provided by an instructor certified by the National Council  
185 for Behavioral Health or any other certifying organization with  
186 substantially similar certification requirements, as determined by the  
187 commissioner, and [(D)] (C) has no pending disciplinary action or  
188 unresolved complaint against him or her.

189 Sec. 7. Subsections (b) to (d), inclusive, of section 19a-181 of the  
190 general statutes are repealed and the following is substituted in lieu  
191 thereof (*Effective July 1, 2023*):

192 (b) Each authorized emergency medical services vehicle used by an  
193 emergency medical service organization shall be inspected by the  
194 Department of Public Health to verify the authorized emergency  
195 medical services vehicle is in compliance with the minimum standards  
196 for vehicle design and equipment as prescribed by the Commissioner of  
197 Public Health. Such minimum standards shall include, but need not be  
198 limited to, the following:

199 (1) All ambulances shall meet or exceed the design criteria of the  
200 United States General Services Administration's federal specification for  
201 the star-of-life ambulance, as described in KKK-A-1822, as amended  
202 from time to time, with an exemption for the color scheme and decals of  
203 the ambulance;

204 (2) All authorized emergency medical services vehicles shall have  
205 only the name of the service operating the vehicle visible on the two  
206 opposite sides of the vehicle;

207 (3) All motorcycle rescue vehicles shall be equipped with the  
208 equipment required pursuant to the provisions of section 19a-194; and

209 (4) All authorized emergency medical service vehicles shall comply

210 with all state and federal safety, design and equipment requirements.

211 (c) Each inspector, upon determining that such authorized  
212 emergency medical services vehicle meets the standards of safety and  
213 equipment prescribed by the Commissioner of Public Health, shall affix  
214 a compliance certificate in the rear compartment of such vehicle, in such  
215 manner and form as said commissioner designates, and such sticker  
216 shall be so placed as to be readily visible to any person. The  
217 Commissioner of Public Health or the commissioner's designee may  
218 inspect any rescue vehicle used by an emergency medical service  
219 organization for compliance with the minimum equipment standards  
220 prescribed by said commissioner.

221 [(c)] (d) Each authorized emergency medical services vehicle shall be  
222 registered with the Department of Motor Vehicles pursuant to chapter  
223 246. The Department of Motor Vehicles shall not issue a certificate of  
224 registration for any such authorized emergency medical services vehicle  
225 unless the applicant for such certificate of registration presents to said  
226 department a compliance certificate from the Commissioner of Public  
227 Health certifying that such authorized emergency medical services  
228 vehicle has been inspected and has met the minimum safety and vehicle  
229 design equipment standards prescribed by the Commissioner of Public  
230 Health. Each vehicle registered with the Department of Motor Vehicles  
231 in accordance with this subsection shall be inspected by the  
232 Commissioner of Public Health or the commissioner's designee not less  
233 than once every two years on or before the anniversary date of the  
234 issuance of the certificate of registration.

235 [(d)] (e) The Department of Motor Vehicles shall suspend or revoke  
236 the certificate of registration of any vehicle inspected under the  
237 provisions of this section upon certification from the Commissioner of  
238 Public Health that such ambulance or rescue vehicle has failed to meet  
239 the minimum standards prescribed by said commissioner.

240 Sec. 8. Section 19a-565 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
241 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2023*):



242 (a) As used in this section: [, "clinical laboratory"]

243 (1) "Blood collection facility" means a facility that performs blood  
244 component collection activities where blood is removed from a human  
245 being for the purpose of administering such blood or any of its  
246 components to any human being. "Blood collection facility" does not  
247 include a facility that performs blood component collection activities to  
248 collect source plasma or perform testing that would require licensure as  
249 a clinical laboratory;

250 (2) "Business entity" means a corporation, association, trust, estate,  
251 partnership, limited partnership, limited liability partnership, limited  
252 liability company, sole proprietorship, joint stock company, nonstock  
253 corporation, John Dempsey Hospital and The University of Connecticut  
254 Health Center;

255 (3) "Clinical laboratory" has the same meaning as provided in section  
256 19a-490, as amended by this act;

257 (4) "Plasmapheresis" means a procedure in which blood is removed  
258 from a blood donor, the plasma is separated from the formed elements  
259 and at least the red blood cells are returned to the blood donor at the  
260 time of the donation;

261 (5) "Source plasma" means the liquid portion of human blood  
262 collected by plasmapheresis and intended as source material for further  
263 manufacturing use. "Source plasma" does not include single donor  
264 plasma products intended for intravenous use; and

265 (6) "Source plasma donation center" means a facility where source  
266 plasma is collected by plasmapheresis.

267 (b) The Department of Public Health shall adopt regulations, in  
268 accordance with the provisions of chapter 54, [to establish reasonable  
269 standards governing exemptions from the licensing provisions of this  
270 section, clinical laboratory] governing clinical laboratories, blood  
271 collection facilities and source plasma donation centers. Such

272 regulations shall establish reasonable standards for entities exempt from  
273 licensure as a clinical laboratory, operations and facilities, personnel  
274 qualifications and certification, levels of acceptable proficiency in  
275 testing programs approved by the department, the collection,  
276 acceptance and suitability of specimens for analysis and such other  
277 pertinent laboratory functions, including the establishment of advisory  
278 committees, as may be necessary to insure public health and safety. The  
279 Commissioner of Public Health may implement policies and procedures  
280 necessary to administer the provisions of this section while in the  
281 process of adopting such policies and procedures as regulations,  
282 provided the department posts such policies and procedures on the  
283 eRegulations System prior to adopting them. Policies and procedures  
284 implemented pursuant to this section shall be valid until final  
285 regulations are adopted in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54.

286 (c) No person [ , firm or corporation] or business entity shall establish,  
287 conduct, operate or maintain a clinical laboratory, blood collection  
288 facility or source plasma donation center unless such laboratory, facility  
289 or center is licensed or approved by said department in accordance with  
290 its regulations. Each blood collection facility or plasmapheresis center,  
291 as defined in section 19a-36-A47 of the regulations of Connecticut state  
292 agencies, that is registered with the department on or before October 1,  
293 2023, shall apply to the department for an initial license pursuant to the  
294 provisions of this section not later than thirty days after the date that  
295 procedures for such licensure are implemented by the department  
296 pursuant to subsection (b) of this section. On and after the date on which  
297 procedures for licensure are implemented by the department pursuant  
298 to the provisions of said subsection, the department shall not renew any  
299 blood collection facility or plasmapheresis center registration. Each  
300 clinical laboratory, blood collection facility or source plasma donation  
301 center shall comply with all standards for [clinical laboratories] such  
302 facilities established by the department and shall be subject to inspection  
303 by said department, including inspection of all records necessary to  
304 carry out the purposes of this section. [The commissioner, or an agent  
305 authorized by the commissioner, may conduct any inquiry,

306 investigation or hearing necessary to enforce the provisions of this  
307 section or regulations adopted under this section and shall have power  
308 to issue subpoenas, order the production of books, records or  
309 documents, administer oaths and take testimony under oath relative to  
310 the matter of such inquiry, investigation or hearing. At any such hearing  
311 ordered by the department, the commissioner or such agent may  
312 subpoena witnesses and require the production of records, papers and  
313 documents pertinent to such hearing. If any person disobeys such  
314 subpoena or, having appeared in obedience thereto, refuses to answer  
315 any pertinent question put to such person by the commissioner or such  
316 agent or to produce any records and papers pursuant to the subpoena,  
317 the commissioner or such agent may apply to the superior court for the  
318 judicial district of Hartford or for the judicial district wherein the person  
319 resides or wherein the business has been conducted, setting forth such  
320 disobedience or refusal and said court shall cite such person to appear  
321 before said court to answer such question or to produce such records  
322 and papers.]

323 [(c)] (d) Each initial or renewal application for licensure of a clinical  
324 laboratory, [if such laboratory is located within an institution licensed  
325 in accordance with sections 19a-490 to 19a-503, inclusive,] shall be made  
326 [on forms provided by said department] in a form and manner  
327 prescribed by the commissioner and shall be executed by the owner or  
328 owners or by a responsible officer of the firm or corporation owning  
329 [the] such laboratory, [ Such application shall contain a current itemized  
330 rate schedule, full disclosure of any contractual relationship, written or  
331 oral, with any practitioner using the services of the laboratory and such  
332 other information as said department requires, which may include  
333 affirmative evidence of ability to comply with the standards as well as a  
334 sworn agreement to abide by them. Upon receipt of any such  
335 application, said department shall make such inspections and  
336 investigations as are necessary and shall deny licensure when operation  
337 of the clinical laboratory would be prejudicial to the health of the public.  
338 Licensure shall not be in force until notice of its effective date and term  
339 has been sent to the applicant] facility or donation center and be

340 accompanied by the fee required pursuant to the provisions of  
341 subsection (f) of this section. A mobile or temporary blood collection  
342 facility shall not be required to obtain a license if such person or business  
343 entity operating such facility is licensed as a blood collection facility.

344 (e) After the department receives an initial or renewal application for  
345 licensure pursuant to subsection (d) of this section, it shall conduct any  
346 inspections or investigations that are deemed necessary by the  
347 commissioner to determine the applicant's eligibility for licensure. As a  
348 condition of licensure, the commissioner may require the applicant to  
349 sign a consent order providing reasonable assurances of compliance  
350 with federal and state laws and regulations. The commissioner may  
351 deny licensure of an applicant if the commissioner determines that the  
352 applicant has previously failed to comply with federal and state laws  
353 and regulations or that licensure would pose a threat to the health,  
354 safety and well-being of the public. Licensure pursuant to the provisions  
355 of this section shall not be effective until the applicant receives notice of  
356 such licensure, including the effective date and term of such licensure,  
357 from the department.

358 [(d)] (f) A nonrefundable fee of [two] six hundred fifty dollars shall  
359 accompany each application for a license or for renewal thereof, except  
360 in the case of a clinical laboratory owned and operated by a  
361 municipality, the state, the United States or any agency of said  
362 municipality, state or United States. Each license shall be issued for a  
363 period of not less than twenty-four [nor more than twenty-seven]  
364 months. [from the deadline for applications established by the  
365 commissioner.] Renewal applications shall be made [(1)] biennially  
366 within the [twenty-fourth] twentieth month of the current license. [;  
367 (2) before any change in ownership or change in director is made; and (3)  
368 prior to any major expansion or alteration in quarters.] Any change in  
369 ownership of an entity licensed pursuant to the provisions of this section  
370 shall be made in compliance with section 19a-493. If any such entity  
371 changes its director, it shall notify the commissioner in a form and  
372 manner prescribed by the commissioner. If any such entity intends to  
373 expand or alter its facility, it shall notify the commissioner in a form and

374 manner prescribed by the commissioner prior to such expansion or  
375 alteration. The licensed clinical laboratory shall report to the  
376 Department of Public Health, in a form and manner prescribed by the  
377 commissioner, the name and address of each [blood] specimen  
378 collection facility owned and operated by the clinical laboratory, prior  
379 to the issuance of a new license, prior to the issuance of a renewal license  
380 or whenever a [blood] specimen collection facility opens or closes.

381 [(e)] (g) A license issued under this section may be revoked or  
382 suspended in accordance with chapter 54 or subject to any other  
383 disciplinary action specified in section 19a-17 if [such] the licensed  
384 clinical laboratory, blood collection facility or source plasma donation  
385 center has engaged in fraudulent practices, fee-splitting inducements or  
386 bribes, including, but not limited to, in the case of a clinical laboratory,  
387 violations of subsection [(f)] (h) of this section, or violated any other  
388 provision of this section or regulations adopted under this section after  
389 notice and a hearing is provided in accordance with the provisions of  
390 said chapter.

391 [(f)] (h) No representative or agent of a clinical laboratory shall solicit  
392 referral of specimens to his or any other clinical laboratory in a manner  
393 which offers or implies an offer of fee-splitting inducements to persons  
394 submitting or referring specimens, including inducements through  
395 rebates, fee schedules, billing methods, personal solicitation or payment  
396 to the practitioner for consultation or assistance or for scientific, clerical  
397 or janitorial services.

398 [(g)] (i) No clinical laboratory, blood collection facility or source  
399 plasma donation center shall terminate the employment of an employee  
400 because such employee reported a violation of this section to the  
401 Department of Public Health.

402 [(h)] (j) Any person [, firm or corporation] or business entity  
403 operating a clinical laboratory, blood collection facility or source plasma  
404 donation center in violation of this section shall be fined not less than  
405 one hundred dollars or more than three hundred dollars for each

406 offense. For purposes of calculating civil penalties under this section,  
407 each day a licensee operates in violation of this section or a regulation  
408 adopted under this section shall constitute a separate violation.

409 [(i)] (k) The Commissioner of Public Health shall adopt regulations in  
410 accordance with the provisions of chapter 54 to establish levels of  
411 acceptable proficiency to be demonstrated in testing programs  
412 approved by the department for those laboratory tests which are not  
413 performed in a licensed clinical laboratory. Such levels of acceptable  
414 proficiency shall be determined on the basis of the volume or the  
415 complexity of the examinations performed.

416 Sec. 9. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2023*) The Commissioner of Public  
417 Health shall require each person applying for licensure as a physician  
418 under section 20-13 of the general statutes, who indicates an intention  
419 to apply for a license in one or more other states not later than one year  
420 after the date of such person's application for licensure, to submit to a  
421 state and national fingerprint-based criminal history records check by  
422 the Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection. The  
423 Commissioner of Emergency Services and Public Protection shall report  
424 the results of each such criminal history records check to the  
425 Commissioner of Public Health pursuant to the provisions of section 29-  
426 17a of the general statutes.

427 Sec. 10. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2023*) The Commissioner of Public  
428 Health shall require each person applying for licensure as a psychologist  
429 to submit to a state and national fingerprint-based criminal history  
430 records check pursuant to section 29-17a of the general statutes. For the  
431 purposes of this section, "psychologist" means an individual licensed for  
432 the independent practice of psychology, and "licensure" means  
433 authorization by a state psychology regulatory authority to engage in  
434 the independent practice of psychology, the practice of which would be  
435 unlawful without such authorization.

436 Sec. 11. Subsection (b) of section 19a-200 of the general statutes is  
437 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from*

438 *passage*):

439 (b) Notwithstanding the charter provisions of any city, town or  
440 borough with respect to the qualifications of the director of health, on  
441 and after [October 1, 2010] July 1, 2023, any person nominated to be a  
442 director of health shall (1) be a licensed physician, [and hold a degree in  
443 public health from an accredited school, college, university or  
444 institution,] or (2) hold a graduate degree in public health from an  
445 accredited institution of higher education. The educational  
446 requirements of this section shall not apply to any director of health  
447 nominated or otherwise appointed as director of health prior to  
448 [October 1, 2010] July 1, 2023.

449 Sec. 12. Section 12-704i of the general statutes is repealed and the  
450 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage, and*  
451 *applicable to taxable years commencing on or after January 1, 2022*):

452 A taxpayer shall be allowed a credit against the tax imposed under  
453 this chapter, other than the liability imposed by section 12-707, in the  
454 amount of two thousand five hundred dollars for the [birth of a stillborn  
455 child] delivery of a fetus born dead for which a fetal death certificate has  
456 been filed, provided such child would have been a dependent on such  
457 taxpayer's federal income tax return. The credit shall be allowed for the  
458 taxable year for which a [stillbirth certificate is issued by the State Vital  
459 Records Office of the Department of Public Health] fetal death occurred.

460 Sec. 13. Subsection (b) of section 19a-7o of the general statutes is  
461 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October*  
462 *1, 2023*):

463 (b) A primary care provider shall offer to provide to, or order for,  
464 each patient [who was born between 1945 to 1965, inclusive,] eighteen  
465 years of age and older, and each pregnant woman a hepatitis C  
466 screening test or hepatitis C diagnostic test at the time the primary care  
467 provider provides services to such patient, except a primary care  
468 provider is not required to offer to provide to, or order for, such patient  
469 a hepatitis C screening test or hepatitis C diagnostic test when the

470 primary care provider reasonably believes: (1) Such patient is being  
471 treated for a life-threatening emergency; (2) such patient has previously  
472 been offered or has received a hepatitis C screening test; or (3) such  
473 patient lacks the capacity to consent to a hepatitis C screening test.

474 Sec. 14. Subsection (a) of section 19a-127l of the general statutes is  
475 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1,*  
476 *2023*):

477 (a) There is established a quality of care program within the  
478 Department of Public Health. The [department] Commissioner of Public  
479 Health shall develop for the purposes of said program (1) a  
480 standardized data set to measure the clinical performance of health care  
481 facilities, as defined in section 19a-630, and require such data to be  
482 collected and reported periodically to the department, including, but  
483 not limited to, data for the measurement of comparable patient  
484 satisfaction, and (2) methods to provide public accountability for health  
485 care delivery systems by such facilities. The department shall develop  
486 such set and methods for [hospitals during the fiscal year ending June  
487 30, 2003, and the committee established pursuant to subsection (c) of this  
488 section shall consider and may recommend to the joint standing  
489 committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters  
490 relating to public health the inclusion of other health care facilities in  
491 each subsequent year] health care facilities and may revise such sets and  
492 methods as necessary, as determined by the commissioner.

493 Sec. 15. Subsections (a) and (b) of section 19a-112j of the general  
494 statutes are repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof  
495 (*Effective from passage*):

496 (a) There is established a Commission on Community Gun Violence  
497 Intervention and Prevention to advise the Commissioner of Public  
498 Health on the development of evidence-based, evidenced-informed,  
499 community-centric gun programs and strategies to reduce community  
500 gun violence in the state. The commission shall be within the  
501 Department of Public Health for administrative purposes only.



502 (b) The commission shall be composed of the following members:

503 (1) Two appointed by the speaker of the House of Representatives,  
504 one of whom shall be a representative of the Connecticut Hospital  
505 Association and one of whom shall be a representative of Compass  
506 Youth Collaborative;

507 (2) Two appointed by the president pro tempore of the Senate, one of  
508 whom shall be a representative of the Connecticut Violence Intervention  
509 Program and one of whom shall be a representative of the Regional  
510 Youth Adult Social Action Partnership;

511 (3) Two appointed by the majority leader of the House of  
512 Representatives, one of whom shall be a representative of Hartford  
513 Communities That Care, Inc. and one of whom shall be a representative  
514 of CT Against Gun Violence;

515 (4) Two appointed by the majority leader of the Senate, one of whom  
516 shall be a representative of Project Longevity and one of whom shall be  
517 a representative of Saint Francis Hospital and Medical Center;

518 (5) One appointed by the minority leader of the House of  
519 Representatives, who shall be a representative of Yale New Haven  
520 Hospital;

521 (6) One appointed by the minority leader of the Senate, who shall be  
522 a representative of Hartford Hospital;

523 (7) One appointed by the House chairperson of the joint standing  
524 committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters  
525 relating to public health, who shall be a representative of the Greater  
526 Bridgeport Area Prevention Program;

527 (8) One appointed by the Senate chairperson of the joint standing  
528 committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters  
529 relating to public health, who shall be a representative of a community  
530 gun violence reduction program;

531 (9) One appointed by the executive director of the Commission on  
532 Women, Children, Seniors, Equity and Opportunity, who shall be a  
533 representative of the Health Alliance for Violence Intervention;

534 (10) Two appointed by the Commissioner of Public Health;

535 (11) Two appointed by the Governor, one of whom shall be a member  
536 of the faculty at an academic institution and have experience in gun  
537 violence prevention and one of whom is an advocate for survivors of  
538 violent crime;

539 (12) One appointed by the minority leader of the House of  
540 Representatives, who shall be employed as the highest-ranking  
541 professional police officer of an organized police department of a  
542 municipality within the state;

543 (13) One appointed by the minority leader of the Senate, who shall be  
544 a youth representative of a group that advocates on behalf of justice-  
545 involved youth;

546 (14) The Commissioner of Public Health;

547 (15) The Commissioner of Children and Families, or the  
548 commissioner's designee;

549 (16) The Commissioner of Social Services, or the commissioner's  
550 designee; [and]

551 (17) The Commissioner of Education, or the commissioner's designee;  
552 and

553 ~~[(17)]~~ (18) The executive director of the Commission on Women,  
554 Children, Seniors, Equity and Opportunity, or the executive director's  
555 designee.

556 Sec. 16. Section 19a-332a of the general statutes is repealed and the  
557 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2023*):

558 (a) The commissioner, within available appropriations, and after

559 consultation with the Labor Commissioner, shall adopt regulations in  
560 accordance with the provisions of chapter 54 to administer the  
561 provisions of sections 19a-332 to 19a-332c, inclusive. Such regulations  
562 shall include, but need not be limited to, the following: (1) Standards for  
563 the proper performance of asbestos abatement; (2) procedures for  
564 enforcement action; (3) procedures for inspection of asbestos abatement  
565 by employees of the department; (4) minimum standards for completion  
566 of asbestos abatement projects.

567 (b) On and after the effective date of any regulations adopted  
568 pursuant to this section, no person shall engage in asbestos abatement  
569 without following the provisions of sections 19a-332 to 19a-332c,  
570 inclusive, and such regulations.

571 (c) The commissioner shall prescribe electronic reporting  
572 requirements and develop a data collection system to monitor  
573 compliance with the regulations adopted pursuant to subsection (a) of  
574 this section.

575 [(c) Notwithstanding any regulations to the contrary, the] (d) The  
576 Commissioner of Public Health shall charge the following fees for the  
577 services of the department in connection with asbestos abatement: (1)  
578 Notification of abatement, less than one hundred sixty square feet, one  
579 hundred dollars; (2) notification of abatement, one hundred sixty square  
580 feet or greater, one hundred dollars plus one per cent of the total  
581 abatement cost, up to a maximum of five thousand dollars; (3)  
582 reinspections, one hundred dollars; (4) asbestos alternative work  
583 practice review, two hundred dollars; and (5) notice of demolition  
584 activities, fifty dollars.

585 Sec. 17. Section 20-440 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
586 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

587 (a) The commissioner shall adopt regulations in accordance with the  
588 provisions of chapter 54 to administer the provisions of subsection (c) of  
589 section 19a-14, sections 19a-332 and 20-435 to 20-441, inclusive. Such  
590 regulations shall include, but not be limited to, the following: (1) Passing

591 scores for licensure examination of asbestos consultants; (2) standards  
592 for the licensing of asbestos contractors and asbestos consultants; (3)  
593 standards for approval of training programs of asbestos abatement and  
594 asbestos consultation services under section 20-439, including standards  
595 for successful completion of such programs; (4) standards and  
596 procedures for suspension and revocation of certification of asbestos  
597 consultants, asbestos abatement workers and asbestos abatement  
598 supervisors; and (5) standards and procedures for suspension and  
599 withdrawal of approval of training programs.

600 (b) The regulations required under subsection (a) of this section shall  
601 be revised, as necessary, to ensure that such regulations meet or exceed  
602 the requirements of the United States Environmental Protection  
603 Agency's model accreditation plan in accordance with federal  
604 regulations, as from time to time amended. The commissioner may  
605 implement policies and procedures necessary to administer the  
606 provisions of this section while in the process of adopting such policies  
607 and procedures as regulations, provided the department posts such  
608 policies and procedures on the eRegulations System prior to adopting  
609 them. Policies and procedures implemented pursuant to this section  
610 shall be valid until final regulations are adopted in accordance with the  
611 provisions of chapter 54.

612 Sec. 18. Section 20-478 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
613 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

614 The commissioner shall adopt regulations, in accordance with the  
615 provisions of chapter 54, to administer the provisions of sections 20-475  
616 and 20-476. Such regulations shall include, but not be limited to, the  
617 following: (1) Standards for licensure of lead abatement contractors and  
618 lead consultant contractors; (2) passing scores for certification  
619 examinations of lead inspectors, lead inspector risk assessors and lead  
620 abatement supervisors; and (3) standards for certification of lead  
621 inspectors, lead inspector risk assessors, lead planner-project designers,  
622 lead abatement supervisors and lead abatement workers. The  
623 commissioner may implement policies and procedures necessary to

624 administer the provisions of this section while in the process of adopting  
625 such policies and procedures as regulations, provided the department  
626 posts such policies and procedures on the eRegulations System prior to  
627 adopting them. Policies and procedures implemented pursuant to this  
628 section shall be valid until final regulations are adopted in accordance  
629 with the provisions of chapter 54.

630 Sec. 19. Subsection (c) of section 19a-111c of the general statutes is  
631 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from*  
632 *passage*):

633 (c) (1) The Commissioner of Public Health may adopt regulations, in  
634 accordance with chapter 54, to regulate paint removal from the exterior  
635 of any building or structure where the paint removal project may  
636 present a health hazard to neighboring premises. The regulations may  
637 establish: (A) Definitions, (B) applicability and exemption criteria, (C)  
638 procedures for submission of notifications, (D) appropriate work  
639 practices, and (E) penalties for noncompliance.

640 (2) The Commissioner of Public Health may adopt regulations, in  
641 accordance with chapter 54, to regulate the standards and procedures  
642 for testing, remediation, as defined in this section, abatement and  
643 management of materials containing toxic levels of lead in any premises.

644 (3) The commissioner may implement policies and procedures  
645 necessary to administer the provisions of this section while in the  
646 process of adopting such policies and procedures as regulations,  
647 provided the department posts such policies and procedures on the  
648 eRegulations System prior to adopting them. Policies and procedures  
649 implemented pursuant to this section shall be valid until final  
650 regulations are adopted in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54.

651 Sec. 20. Subsections (a) to (n), inclusive, of section 25-32 of the general  
652 statutes are repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof  
653 (*Effective from passage*):

654 (a) The Department of Public Health shall have jurisdiction over all

655 matters concerning the purity and adequacy of any water supply source  
656 used by, or for which the right to use the water supply source for future  
657 or emergency use is held by, any municipality, public institution or  
658 water company for obtaining water, the safety of any distributing plant  
659 and system for public health purposes, the adequacy of methods used  
660 to assure water purity, and such other matters relating to the  
661 construction and operation of such distributing plant and system as may  
662 affect public health.

663 (b) No water company shall sell, lease, assign or otherwise dispose of  
664 or change the use of any watershed lands, except as provided in section  
665 25-43c, without a written permit from the Commissioner of Public  
666 Health. The commissioner shall not grant: (1) A permit for the sale of  
667 class I land, except as provided in subsection (d) of this section, (2) a  
668 permit for the lease of class I land except as provided in subsection (p)  
669 of this section, or (3) a permit for a change in use of class I land unless  
670 the applicant demonstrates that such change will not have a significant  
671 adverse impact upon the present and future purity and adequacy of the  
672 public drinking water supply and is consistent with any water supply  
673 plan filed and approved pursuant to section 25-32d. The commissioner  
674 may reclassify class I land only upon determination that such land no  
675 longer meets the criteria established by subsection (a) of section 25-37c  
676 because of abandonment of a water supply source or a physical change  
677 in the watershed boundary. Not more than fifteen days before filing an  
678 application for a permit under this section, the applicant shall provide  
679 notice of such intent, by certified mail, return receipt requested, to the  
680 chief executive officer and the chief elected official of each municipality  
681 in which the land is situated.

682 (c) The commissioner may grant a permit for the sale, lease,  
683 assignment or change in use of any land in class II subject to any  
684 conditions or restrictions in use which the commissioner may deem  
685 necessary to maintain the purity and adequacy of the public drinking  
686 water supply, giving due consideration to: (1) The creation and control  
687 of point or nonpoint sources of contamination; (2) the disturbance of  
688 ground vegetation; (3) the creation and control of subsurface sewage

689 disposal systems; (4) the degree of water treatment provided; (5) the  
690 control of watershed land by the applicant through ownership,  
691 easements or use restrictions or other water supply source protection  
692 measures; (6) the effect of development of any such land; and (7) any  
693 other significant potential source of contamination of the public  
694 drinking water supply. The commissioner may grant a permit for the  
695 sale, lease or assignment of class II land to another water company,  
696 municipality or nonprofit land conservation organization provided, as  
697 a condition of approval, a permanent conservation easement on the land  
698 is entered into to preserve the land in perpetuity predominantly in its  
699 natural scenic and open condition for the protection of natural resources  
700 and public water supplies while allowing for recreation consistent with  
701 such protection and improvements necessary for the protection or  
702 provision of safe and adequate potable water. Preservation in perpetuity  
703 shall not include permission for the land to be developed for any  
704 commercial, residential or industrial uses, nor shall it include  
705 permission for recreational purposes requiring intense development,  
706 including, but not limited to, golf courses, driving ranges, tennis courts,  
707 ballfields, swimming pools and uses by motorized vehicles other than  
708 vehicles needed by water companies to carry out their purposes,  
709 provided trails or pathways for pedestrians, motorized wheelchairs or  
710 nonmotorized vehicles shall not be considered intense development.  
711 The commissioner may reclassify class II land only upon determination  
712 that such land no longer meets the criteria established by subsection (b)  
713 of section 25-37c because of abandonment of a water supply source or a  
714 physical change in the watershed boundary.

715 (d) The commissioner may grant a permit for (1) the sale of class I or  
716 II land to another water company, to a state agency or to a municipality,  
717 (2) the sale of class II land or the sale or assignment of a conservation  
718 restriction or a public access easement on class I or class II land to a  
719 private, nonprofit land-holding conservation organization, or (3) the  
720 sale of class I land to a private nonprofit land-holding conservation  
721 organization if the water company is denied a permit to abandon a  
722 source not in current use or needed by the water company pursuant to

723 subsection (c) of section 25-33k, if the purchasing entity agrees to  
724 maintain the land subject to the provisions of this section, any  
725 regulations adopted pursuant to this section and the terms of any permit  
726 issued pursuant to this section. Such purchasing entity or assignee may  
727 not sell, lease or assign any such land or conservation restriction or  
728 public access easement or sell, lease, assign or change the use of such  
729 land without obtaining a permit pursuant to this section.

730 (e) The commissioner shall not grant a permit for the sale, lease,  
731 assignment or change in use of any land in class II unless (1) use  
732 restrictions applicable to such land will prevent the land from being  
733 developed, (2) the applicant demonstrates that the proposed sale, lease,  
734 assignment or change in use will not have a significant adverse impact  
735 upon the purity and adequacy of the public drinking water supply and  
736 that any use restrictions which the commissioner requires as a condition  
737 of granting a permit can be enforced against subsequent owners, lessees  
738 and assignees, (3) the commissioner determines, after giving effect to  
739 any use restrictions which may be required as a condition of granting  
740 the permit, that such proposed sale, lease, assignment or change in use  
741 will not have a significant adverse effect on the public drinking water  
742 supply, whether or not similar permits have been granted, and (4) on or  
743 after January 1, 2003, as a condition to the sale, lease or assignment of  
744 any class II lands, a permanent conservation easement on the land is  
745 entered into to preserve the land in perpetuity predominantly in its  
746 natural scenic and open condition for the protection of natural resources  
747 and public water supplies while allowing for recreation consistent with  
748 such protection and improvements necessary for the protection or  
749 provision of safe and adequate potable water, except in cases where the  
750 class II land is deemed necessary to provide access or egress to a parcel  
751 of class III land, as defined in section 25-37c, that is approved for sale.  
752 Preservation in perpetuity shall not include permission for the land to  
753 be developed for any commercial, residential or industrial uses, nor  
754 shall it include permission for recreational purposes requiring intense  
755 development, including, but not limited to, golf courses, driving ranges,  
756 tennis courts, ballfields, swimming pools and uses by motorized



757 vehicles other than vehicles needed by water companies to carry out  
758 their purposes, provided trails or pathways for pedestrians, motorized  
759 wheelchairs or nonmotorized vehicles shall not be considered intense  
760 development.

761 (f) Nothing in this section shall prevent the lease or change in use of  
762 water company land to allow for recreational purposes that do not  
763 require intense development or improvements for water supply  
764 purposes, for leases of existing structures, or for radio towers or  
765 telecommunications antennas on existing structures. For purposes of  
766 this subsection, intense development includes golf courses, driving  
767 ranges, tennis courts, ballfields, swimming pools and uses by motorized  
768 vehicles, provided trails or pathways for pedestrians, motorized  
769 wheelchairs or nonmotorized vehicles shall not be considered intense  
770 development.

771 (g) As used in this section, (1) "water supply source" includes all  
772 springs, streams, watercourses, brooks, rivers, lakes, ponds, wells or  
773 underground waters from which water is or may be taken, and all  
774 springs, streams, watercourses, brooks, rivers, lakes, ponds, wells or  
775 aquifer protection areas, as defined in section 22a-354h, thereto and all  
776 lands drained thereby; and (2) "watershed land" means land from which  
777 water drains into a public drinking water supply.

778 (h) The commissioner shall adopt and from time to time may amend  
779 the following: (1) Physical, chemical, radiological and microbiological  
780 standards for the quality of public drinking water; (2) minimum  
781 treatment methods, taking into account the costs of such methods,  
782 required for all sources of drinking water, including guidelines for the  
783 design and operation of treatment works and water sources, which  
784 guidelines shall serve as the basis for approval of local water supply  
785 plans by the commissioner; (3) minimum standards to assure the long-  
786 term purity and adequacy of the public drinking water supply to all  
787 residents of this state; and (4) classifications of water treatment plants  
788 and water distribution systems which treat or supply water used or  
789 intended for use by the public. On or after October 1, 1975, any water

790 company which requests approval of any drinking water source shall  
791 provide for such treatment methods as specified by the commissioner,  
792 provided any water company in operation prior to October 1, 1975, and  
793 having such source shall comply with regulations adopted by the  
794 commissioner, in accordance with chapter 54, in conformance with The  
795 Safe Drinking Water Act, Public Law 93-523, and shall submit on or  
796 before February 1, 1976, a statement of intent to provide for treatment  
797 methods as specified by the commissioner, to the commissioner for  
798 approval. The commissioner shall adopt regulations, in accordance with  
799 chapter 54, requiring water companies to report elevated levels of  
800 copper in public drinking water.

801 (i) The department may perform the collection and testing of water  
802 samples required by regulations adopted by the commissioner pursuant  
803 to this section, in accordance with chapter 54, when requested to do so  
804 by a water company. The department shall collect a fee equal to the cost  
805 of such collection and testing. Water companies serving one thousand  
806 or more persons shall not request routine bacteriological or physical  
807 tests under this subsection.

808 (j) The condemnation by a state department, institution or agency of  
809 any land owned by a water company shall be subject to the provisions  
810 of this section.

811 (k) The commissioner may issue an order declaring a moratorium on  
812 the expansion or addition to any existing public water system that the  
813 commissioner deems incapable of providing new services with a pure  
814 and adequate water supply.

815 (l) The commissioner may issue, modify or revoke orders as needed  
816 to carry out the provisions of this part. Except as otherwise provided in  
817 this part, such order shall be issued, modified or revoked in accordance  
818 with procedures set forth in subsection (b) of section 25-34.

819 (m) The commissioner shall adopt regulations, in accordance with the  
820 provisions of chapter 54, to include local health departments in the  
821 notification process when a water utility reports a water quality

822 problem.

823 (n) (1) On and after the effective date of regulations adopted under  
824 this subsection, no person may operate any water treatment plant, water  
825 distribution system or small water system that treats or supplies water  
826 used or intended for use by the public, test any backflow prevention  
827 device, or perform a cross connection survey without a certificate issued  
828 by the commissioner under this subsection. The commissioner shall  
829 adopt regulations, in accordance with chapter 54, to provide: (A)  
830 Standards for the operation of such water treatment plants, water  
831 distribution systems and small water systems; (B) standards and  
832 procedures for the issuance of certificates to operators of such water  
833 treatment plants, water distribution systems and small water systems,  
834 including, but not limited to, standards and procedures for the  
835 department's approval of third parties to administer certification  
836 examinations to such operators; (C) procedures for the renewal of such  
837 certificates every three years; (D) standards for training required for the  
838 issuance or renewal of a certificate; (E) standards and procedures for the  
839 department's approval of course providers and courses of study as they  
840 relate to certified operators of water treatment plants, water distribution  
841 systems and small water systems and certified persons who test  
842 backflow prevention devices or perform cross connection surveys for  
843 initial and renewal applications; and (F) standards and procedures for  
844 the issuance and renewal of certificates to persons who test backflow  
845 prevention devices or perform cross connection surveys. Such  
846 regulations shall be consistent with applicable federal law and  
847 guidelines for operator certification programs promulgated by the  
848 United States Environmental Protection Agency. For purposes of this  
849 subsection, "small water system" means a public water system, as  
850 defined in section 25-33d, that serves less than one thousand persons  
851 and has no treatment or has only treatment that does not require any  
852 chemical treatment, process adjustment, backwashing or media  
853 regeneration by an operator. The commissioner may implement policies  
854 and procedures necessary to administer the provisions of this section  
855 while in the process of adopting such policies and procedures as

856 regulations, provided the department posts such policies and  
857 procedures on the eRegulations System prior to adopting them. Policies  
858 and procedures implemented pursuant to this section shall be valid  
859 until final regulations are adopted in accordance with the provisions of  
860 chapter 54.

861 (2) The commissioner may take any disciplinary action set forth in  
862 section 19a-17, except for the assessment of a civil penalty under  
863 subdivision (7) of subsection (a) of section 19a-17, against an operator, a  
864 person who tests backflow prevention devices or a person who  
865 performs cross connection surveys holding a certificate issued under  
866 this subsection for any of the following reasons: (A) Fraud or material  
867 deception in procuring a certificate, the renewal of a certificate or the  
868 reinstatement of a certificate; (B) fraud or material deception in the  
869 performance of the certified operator's professional activities; (C)  
870 incompetent, negligent or illegal performance of the certified operator's  
871 professional activities; (D) conviction of the certified operator for a  
872 felony; or (E) failure of the certified operator to complete the training  
873 required under subdivision (1) of this subsection.

874 (3) The commissioner may issue an initial certificate to perform a  
875 function set forth in subdivision (1) of this subsection upon receipt of a  
876 completed application, in a form prescribed by the commissioner,  
877 together with an application fee as follows: (A) For a water treatment  
878 plant, water distribution system or small water system operator  
879 certificate, two hundred twenty-four dollars, except there shall be no  
880 such application fee required for a student enrolled in an accredited  
881 high school small water system operator certification course; (B) for a  
882 backflow prevention device tester certificate, one hundred fifty-four  
883 dollars; and (C) for a cross-connection survey inspector certificate, one  
884 hundred fifty-four dollars. A certificate issued pursuant to this  
885 subdivision shall expire three years from the date of issuance unless  
886 renewed by the certificate holder prior to such expiration date. The  
887 commissioner may renew a certificate for an additional three years upon  
888 receipt of a completed renewal application, in a form prescribed by the  
889 commissioner, together with a renewal application fee as follows: (i) For

890 a water treatment plant, water distribution system or small water  
891 system operator certificate, ninety-eight dollars; (ii) for a backflow  
892 prevention device tester certificate, sixty-nine dollars; and (iii) for a  
893 cross-connection survey inspector certificate, sixty-nine dollars.

894 Sec. 21. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2023*) If a pharmacist or health care  
895 professional who is currently licensed or was previously licensed in  
896 another state or jurisdiction is subject to automatic reciprocal discipline  
897 for a disciplinary action in such state or jurisdiction, such automatic  
898 reciprocal discipline shall be automatically rescinded and shall not be  
899 entered into the licensing record of the pharmacist or health care  
900 professional if the discipline was based solely on the termination of  
901 pregnancy under conditions that would not violate the general statutes  
902 or the regulations of Connecticut state agencies. The provisions of this  
903 section shall not preclude or affect the ability of an agency or board of  
904 the state to seek or impose any discipline pursuant to the general  
905 statutes against a pharmacist or other health care professional licensed  
906 by the state.

907 Sec. 22. Section 22a-474c of the general statutes is repealed and the  
908 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

909 (a) Not later than January 1, [2023] 2024, each local health district and  
910 health department shall establish an electronic reporting system for the  
911 owner of any home or well that is damaged as the direct result of  
912 sodium chloride run-off to register such damage with the local health  
913 district or health department. Not later than January 1, [2024] 2025, and  
914 each year thereafter, each local health district and health department  
915 shall submit any report received pursuant to this section during the  
916 previous calendar year to the Office of Policy and Management. The  
917 Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management may identify any  
918 available state or federal financial resources to assist such owners with  
919 the costs of remediation, mitigation or repair of such homes or wells and  
920 establish any criteria and procedures for the issuance of any such  
921 financial assistance to such owners.

922 (b) Any (1) testing results originating due to a report submitted  
923 pursuant to subsection (a) of this section provided to the Department of  
924 Public Health, Office of Policy and Management or a local health district  
925 or health department, (2) information obtained from a Department of  
926 Public Health or a local health district or health department  
927 investigation concerning such results, and (3) study of morbidity and  
928 mortality conducted by the Department of Public Health or a local  
929 health district or health department concerning such results shall be  
930 confidential pursuant to the provisions of section 19a-25.

931 Sec. 23. Subdivision (4) of section 20-265a of the general statutes is  
932 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from*  
933 *passage*):

934 (4) "Esthetics" means services related to skin care treatments, (A)  
935 including, but not limited to, cleansing, toning, stimulating, exfoliating  
936 or performing any similar procedure on the human body while using  
937 cosmetic preparations, hands, devices, apparatus or appliances to  
938 enhance or improve the appearance of the skin; makeup application;  
939 beautifying lashes and brows; or removing unwanted hair using manual  
940 and mechanical means, and (B) excluding the use of a prescriptive laser  
941 device; the performance of a cosmetic medical procedure, as defined in  
942 section 19a-903c; any practice, activity or treatment that constitutes the  
943 practice of medicine; eyebrow threading as a means of shaping and  
944 removing unwanted hair on the face and around the eyebrows; makeup  
945 application at a rented kiosk located in a shopping center or the practice  
946 of hairdressing and cosmetology by a hairdresser and cosmetician  
947 licensed pursuant to this chapter that is within such licensee's scope of  
948 practice;

949 Sec. 24. Section 7-60 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
950 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2023*):

951 (a) As used in this section, "fetal death" means the death of a fetus  
952 prior to the complete expulsion or extraction from the uterus,  
953 irrespective of the duration of pregnancy, in which there is no evidence

954 of life after such expulsion or extraction, including, but not limited to,  
955 beating of the heart, pulsation of the umbilical cord or definite  
956 movement of voluntary muscles. "Fetal death" does not include an  
957 induced termination of a pregnancy.

958 [(a) Each case of fetal death shall be registered and] (b) For each fetal  
959 death occurring after a period of gestation of not less than twenty weeks,  
960 a fetal death certificate shall be filed with the registrar of vital statistics  
961 in the manner required by sections 7-48 [,] and 7-51 [and 7-52] with  
962 respect to the filing, content and issuance of birth certificates. [A fetus  
963 born after a period of gestation of not less than twenty weeks in which  
964 there is no attempt at respiration, no action of heart and no movement  
965 of voluntary muscle, shall be recorded as a fetal death.] A fetal death  
966 certificate shall be signed by a physician or, when no physician was in  
967 attendance, by the nurse-midwife in attendance at the birth, the Chief  
968 Medical Examiner, Deputy Chief Medical Examiner, an associate  
969 medical examiner or an authorized assistant medical examiner. The  
970 provisions of this subsection shall not apply to a father or mother when  
971 a birth occurs outside an institution and a physician or midwife is not in  
972 attendance at such birth, as described in subsection (c) of section 7-48.

973 [(b)] (c) Such certificate shall include, on a confidential portion of the  
974 certificate, any additional information required by the department,  
975 provided the information obtained under this section shall be used only  
976 for medical and health purposes.

977 Sec. 25. Subparagraph (A) of subdivision (9) of section 19a-177 of the  
978 general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu  
979 thereof (*Effective July 1, 2023*):

980 (9) (A) Establish rates for the conveyance and treatment of patients  
981 by licensed and certified ambulance services and invalid coaches and  
982 establish emergency service rates for [certified ambulance services and]  
983 paramedic intercept services, provided (i) the present rates established  
984 for such services and vehicles shall remain in effect until such time as  
985 the commissioner establishes a new rate schedule as provided in this

986 subdivision, and (ii) any rate increase not in excess of the Medical Care  
987 Services Consumer Price Index, as published by the Bureau of Labor  
988 Statistics of the United States Department of Labor, for the prior year,  
989 filed in accordance with subparagraph (B)(iii) of this subdivision shall  
990 be deemed approved by the commissioner. For purposes of this  
991 subdivision, licensed ambulance services and paramedic intercept  
992 services shall not include emergency air transport services or mobile  
993 integrated health care programs.

994 Sec. 26. Subsection (a) of section 19a-403 of the general statutes is  
995 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October*  
996 *1, 2023*):

997 (a) The Office of the Chief Medical Examiner is established to be  
998 operated under the control and supervision of the commission. The  
999 expenses of the commission and of operating said office shall be paid by  
1000 the state out of funds appropriated for the purpose. The office shall be  
1001 directed by a Chief Medical Examiner who shall be appointed by the  
1002 commission. [His] The office shall be located at a medical school in this  
1003 state. The Chief Medical Examiner or any member of the professional  
1004 staff of the Office of the Chief Medical Examiner who is summoned to  
1005 give expert testimony in a civil action in his or her capacity as the Chief  
1006 Medical Examiner or a member of the office shall be allowed and paid a  
1007 witness fee of five hundred dollars for each day or portion thereof the  
1008 Chief Medical Examiner or such staff member is required to attend  
1009 court. Such fee shall be taxed as a part of the costs of the action and be  
1010 paid by the party requesting the appearance, and any such fee received  
1011 shall be deposited in the General Fund except no fee shall be imposed if  
1012 the requesting party is the state.

1013 Sec. 27. Section 19a-404 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
1014 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2023*):

1015 The Chief Medical Examiner shall be a citizen of the United States  
1016 and a doctor of medicine licensed to practice medicine in Connecticut  
1017 and shall have had a minimum of four years postgraduate training in



1018 pathology, board certification in forensic pathology from the American  
1019 Board of Pathology and such additional subsequent experience in  
1020 forensic pathology as the commission may determine, provided any  
1021 person otherwise qualified who is not licensed to so practice may be  
1022 appointed Chief Medical Examiner, provided he or she obtains such a  
1023 license within one year of his or her appointment. The Commission on  
1024 Medicolegal Investigations shall submit recommendations concerning  
1025 the Chief Medical Examiner's salary and annual increments to such  
1026 salary to the Commissioner of Administrative Services for review and  
1027 approval pursuant to section 4-40. The Chief Medical Examiner's term  
1028 of office shall be fixed by the commission and the Chief Medical  
1029 Examiner may be removed by the commission only for cause. Under the  
1030 direction of the commission, the Chief Medical Examiner shall prepare  
1031 for transmission to the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management  
1032 as required by law estimates of expenditure requirements. The Chief  
1033 Medical Examiner shall account to the State Treasurer for all fees and  
1034 moneys received and expended by him or her by virtue of his or her  
1035 office. The Chief Medical Examiner may as part of his or her duties teach  
1036 medical and law school classes, conduct special classes for police  
1037 investigators and engage in other activities related to the work of the  
1038 office to such extent and on such terms as may be authorized by the  
1039 commission. On and after January 1, 2022, the Chief Medical Examiner  
1040 shall earn at least one contact hour of training or education in sudden  
1041 unexpected death in epilepsy as part of the continuing medical  
1042 education he or she is required to obtain pursuant to section 20-10b. As  
1043 used in this section, "sudden unexpected death in epilepsy" means the  
1044 death of a person with epilepsy that is not caused by injury, drowning  
1045 or other known causes unrelated to epilepsy.

1046       Sec. 28. Section 19a-405 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
1047 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2023*):

1048       The Chief Medical Examiner, with the approval of the Commission  
1049 on Medicolegal Investigations, shall appoint a deputy who shall  
1050 perform all the duties of the Chief Medical Examiner in case of [his or  
1051 her] the Chief Medical Examiner's sickness or absence and such

1052 associate medical examiners, assistant medical examiners, pathologists,  
1053 toxicologists, laboratory technicians and other professional staff as the  
1054 commission may specify. The commission in advance of appointments  
1055 shall specify the qualifications required for each position in terms of  
1056 education, experience and other relevant considerations. The  
1057 commission shall submit recommendations concerning (1) the Deputy  
1058 Chief Medical Examiner's salary and annual increments to such salary,  
1059 and (2) the salaries and compensation of other professional staff to the  
1060 Commissioner of Administrative Services for review and approval  
1061 pursuant to section 4-40. The Chief Medical Examiner, the Deputy Chief  
1062 Medical Examiner, associate medical examiners, and assistant medical  
1063 examiners shall take the oath provided by law for public officers. Other  
1064 staff members as determined by the commission shall be appointed by  
1065 the Chief Medical Examiner, subject to the provisions of chapter 67 and  
1066 the rules of the commission not inconsistent therewith.

1067       Sec. 29. Section 19a-409 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
1068 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2023*):

1069       The Office of the Chief Medical Examiner shall complete its  
1070 investigation where reasonably possible within thirty days. Upon  
1071 completion of the investigation, the Chief Medical Examiner, Deputy  
1072 Chief Medical Examiner, an associate medical examiner, an authorized  
1073 assistant medical examiner or a pathologist designated by the Chief  
1074 Medical Examiner shall file a death certificate, or a certificate  
1075 supplementing that already filed, with the registrar of vital statistics for  
1076 the town in which the death occurred, if known, or, if not known, for  
1077 the town in which the body was found. If the deceased is unidentified,  
1078 fingerprints, [of both hands and a photograph of the body,] provided  
1079 mortification has not proceeded so far or the nature of the cause of death  
1080 was not such as to make identification impossible, shall be sent by said  
1081 office to [such registrar of vital statistics and copies shall be sent to the  
1082 Department of Public Health and to] the Division of State Police within  
1083 the Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>from passage</i>	19a-490(l)
Sec. 2	<i>from passage</i>	20-195n
Sec. 3	<i>October 1, 2023</i>	20-195u(a) and (b)
Sec. 4	<i>from passage</i>	20-265b(b)
Sec. 5	<i>from passage</i>	20-265d(b)
Sec. 6	<i>from passage</i>	20-206mm(b)
Sec. 7	<i>July 1, 2023</i>	19a-181(b) to (d)
Sec. 8	<i>October 1, 2023</i>	19a-565
Sec. 9	<i>July 1, 2023</i>	New section
Sec. 10	<i>July 1, 2023</i>	New section
Sec. 11	<i>from passage</i>	19a-200(b)
Sec. 12	<i>from passage, and applicable to taxable years commencing on or after January 1, 2022</i>	12-704i
Sec. 13	<i>October 1, 2023</i>	19a-7o(b)
Sec. 14	<i>July 1, 2023</i>	19a-127l(a)
Sec. 15	<i>from passage</i>	19a-112j(a) and (b)
Sec. 16	<i>October 1, 2023</i>	19a-332a
Sec. 17	<i>from passage</i>	20-440
Sec. 18	<i>from passage</i>	20-478
Sec. 19	<i>from passage</i>	19a-111c(c)
Sec. 20	<i>from passage</i>	25-32(a) to (n)
Sec. 21	<i>July 1, 2023</i>	New section
Sec. 22	<i>from passage</i>	22a-474c
Sec. 23	<i>from passage</i>	20-265a(4)
Sec. 24	<i>October 1, 2023</i>	7-60
Sec. 25	<i>July 1, 2023</i>	19a-177(9)(A)
Sec. 26	<i>October 1, 2023</i>	19a-403(a)
Sec. 27	<i>October 1, 2023</i>	19a-404
Sec. 28	<i>October 1, 2023</i>	19a-405
Sec. 29	<i>October 1, 2023</i>	19a-409

**Statement of Purpose:**

To implement the Department of Public Health's recommendations regarding various revisions to the public health statutes.

*[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]*