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AN ACT CONCERNING VARIOUS HEALTH INITIATIVES.

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

1 Section 1. (a) The Commissioner of Public Health and the Executive
2 Vice President for Health Affairs at The University of Connecticut
3 Health Center shall each designate appropriate staff to form a merger
4 team in order to work cooperatively to develop a cost-effective plan for
5 the merger of the Department of Public Health Laboratory and The
6 University of Connecticut Health Center Laboratory to provide a
7 single state-of-the-art laboratory to be located in available space in the
8 research building on The University of Connecticut Health Center
9 campus in Farmington.

10 (b) The merger plan shall describe how such merger may be
11 accomplished by July 1, 2002. The plan shall address, but shall not be
12 limited to, the following: (1) Pooling of resources and expertise in
13 order to avoid overlap of services; (2) increasing efficiencies; (3) cost
14 savings; (4) merged approach to access to outside funding sources; (5)
15 analysis of merged laboratory capacity; and (6) improvements in

16 technology.

17 (c) The merger team shall submit a merger plan to the Governor not
18 later than September 1, 2001.

19 Sec. 2. Subsection (c) of section 19a-14 of the general statutes is
20 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof:

21 (c) No board shall exist for the following professions that are
22 licensed or otherwise regulated by the Department of Public Health:

23 (1) Speech pathologist and audiologist;

24 (2) Hearing aid dealer;

25 (3) Nursing home administrator;

26 (4) Sanitarian;

27 (5) Subsurface sewage system installer or cleaner;

28 (6) Marital and family therapist;

29 (7) Nurse-midwife;

30 (8) Licensed clinical social worker;

31 (9) Respiratory care practitioner;

32 (10) Asbestos contractor and asbestos consultant;

33 (11) Massage therapist;

34 (12) Registered nurse's aide;

35 (13) Radiographer;

36 (14) Dental hygienist;

37 (15) Dietitian-Nutritionist;

- 38 (16) Asbestos abatement worker;
- 39 (17) Asbestos abatement site supervisor;
- 40 (18) Licensed or certified alcohol and drug counselor;
- 41 (19) Professional counselor;
- 42 (20) Acupuncturist;
- 43 (21) Occupational therapist; and
- 44 (22) Lead abatement contractor. [; and]
- 45 [(23) Nail technician.]

46 The department shall assume all powers and duties normally vested
47 with a board in administering regulatory jurisdiction over said
48 professions. The uniform provisions of this chapter and chapters 368v,
49 369 to 381a, inclusive, 383 to 388, inclusive, 393a, 395, 398, 399, 400a
50 and 400c, including, but not limited to, standards for entry and
51 renewal; grounds for professional discipline; receiving and processing
52 complaints; and disciplinary sanctions, shall apply, except as otherwise
53 provided by law, to the professions listed in this subsection.

54 Sec. 3. Subsection (c) of section 19a-14 of the general statutes, as
55 amended by section 8 of public act 00-226, is repealed and the
56 following is substituted in lieu thereof:

57 (c) No board shall exist for the following professions that are
58 licensed or otherwise regulated by the Department of Public Health:

- 59 (1) Speech pathologist and audiologist;
- 60 (2) Hearing aid dealer;
- 61 (3) Nursing home administrator;
- 62 (4) Sanitarian;

- 63 (5) Subsurface sewage system installer or cleaner;
- 64 (6) Marital and family therapist;
- 65 (7) Nurse-midwife;
- 66 (8) Licensed clinical social worker;
- 67 (9) Respiratory care practitioner;
- 68 (10) Asbestos contractor and asbestos consultant;
- 69 (11) Massage therapist;
- 70 (12) Registered nurse's aide;
- 71 (13) Radiographer;
- 72 (14) Dental hygienist;
- 73 (15) Dietitian-Nutritionist;
- 74 (16) Asbestos abatement worker;
- 75 (17) Asbestos abatement site supervisor;
- 76 (18) Licensed or certified alcohol and drug counselor;
- 77 (19) Professional counselor;
- 78 (20) Acupuncturist;
- 79 (21) Occupational therapist;
- 80 (22) Lead abatement contractor; and
- 81 [(23) Nail technician; and]
- 82 [(24)] (23) Athletic trainer.
- 83 The department shall assume all powers and duties normally vested

84 with a board in administering regulatory jurisdiction over said
85 professions. The uniform provisions of this chapter and chapters 368v,
86 369 to 381a, inclusive, 383 to 388, inclusive, 393a, 395, 398, 399, 400a
87 and 400c, including, but not limited to, standards for entry and
88 renewal; grounds for professional discipline; receiving and processing
89 complaints; and disciplinary sanctions, shall apply, except as otherwise
90 provided by law, to the professions listed in this subsection.

91 Sec. 4. Subsection (e) of section 19a-88 of the general statutes is
92 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof:

93 (e) Each person holding a license or certificate issued under section
94 19a-514, 20-74s, 20-195cc or 20-206ll and chapters 370 to 373, inclusive,
95 375, 378 to 381a, inclusive, 383 to 388, inclusive, 393a, 395, 398, 399 or
96 400a and section 20-206n [] or 20-206o [or 20-266c] shall, annually,
97 during the month of such person's birth, apply for renewal of such
98 license or certificate to the Department of Public Health, giving such
99 person's name in full, such person's residence and business address
100 and such other information as the department requests. Each person
101 holding a license or certificate issued pursuant to section 20-475 or 20-
102 476 shall, annually, during the month of such person's birth, apply for
103 renewal of such license or certificate to the department. Each entity
104 holding a license issued pursuant to section 20-475 shall, annually,
105 during the anniversary month of initial licensure, apply for renewal of
106 such license or certificate to the department.

107 Sec. 5. Subsection (e) of section 19a-88 of the general statutes, as
108 amended by section 9 of public act 00-226, is repealed and the
109 following is substituted in lieu thereof:

110 (e) Each person holding a license or certificate issued under section
111 19a-514, 20-65k, 20-74s, 20-195cc or 20-206ll and chapters 370 to 373,
112 inclusive, 375, 378 to 381a, inclusive, 383 to 388, inclusive, 393a, 395,
113 398, 399 or 400a and section 20-206n [] or 20-206o [or 20-266c] shall,
114 annually, during the month of such person's birth, apply for renewal of
115 such license or certificate to the Department of Public Health, giving

116 such person's name in full, such person's residence and business
117 address and such other information as the department requests. Each
118 person holding a license or certificate issued pursuant to section 20-475
119 or 20-476 shall, annually, during the month of such person's birth,
120 apply for renewal of such license or certificate to the department. Each
121 entity holding a license issued pursuant to section 20-475 shall,
122 annually, during the anniversary month of initial licensure, apply for
123 renewal of such license or certificate to the department.

124 Sec. 6. Section 19a-202 of the general statutes is repealed and the
125 following is substituted in lieu thereof:

126 Upon application to the Department of Public Health any municipal
127 health department shall annually receive from the state an amount
128 equal to one dollar and [thirteen] two cents per capita, provided such
129 municipality (1) employs a full-time director of health, except that if a
130 vacancy exists in the office of director of health or the office is filled by
131 an acting director for more than three months, such municipality shall
132 not be eligible for funding unless the Commissioner of Public Health
133 waives this requirement; (2) submits a public health program and
134 budget which is approved by the Commissioner of Public Health; and
135 (3) appropriates not less than one dollar per capita, from the annual tax
136 receipts, for health department services. Such municipal department of
137 health is authorized to use additional funds, which the Department of
138 Public Health may secure from federal agencies or any other source
139 and which it may allot to such municipal department of health. The
140 money so received shall be disbursed upon warrants approved by the
141 chief executive officer of such municipality. The Comptroller shall
142 annually in July and upon a voucher of the Commissioner of Public
143 Health, draw the Comptroller's order on the State Treasurer in favor of
144 such municipal department of health for the amount due in accordance
145 with the provisions of this section and under rules prescribed by the
146 commissioner. Any moneys remaining unexpended at the end of a
147 fiscal year shall be included in the budget of such municipal
148 department of health for the ensuing year. This aid shall be rendered

149 from appropriations made from time to time by the General Assembly
150 to the Department of Public Health for this purpose.

151 Sec. 7. Subsection (a) of section 19a-202a of the general statutes is
152 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof:

153 (a) Upon application to the Department of Public Health, each part-
154 time health department shall annually receive from the state an
155 amount equal to [fifty-nine] fifty-three cents per capita.

156 Sec. 8. Section 19a-245 of the general statutes is repealed and the
157 following is substituted in lieu thereof:

158 Upon application to the Department of Public Health, each health
159 district shall annually receive from the state an amount equal to two
160 dollars and [thirty-two] nine cents per capita for each town, city and
161 borough of such district which has a population of five thousand or
162 less, and one dollar and [ninety-nine] seventy-nine cents per capita for
163 each town, city and borough of such district which has a population of
164 more than five thousand, provided (1) the Commissioner of Public
165 Health approves the public health program and budget of such health
166 district and (2) the towns, cities and boroughs of such district
167 appropriate for the maintenance of the health district not less than one
168 dollar per capita from the annual tax receipts. Such district
169 departments of health are authorized to use additional funds, which
170 the Department of Public Health may secure from federal agencies or
171 any other source and which it may allot to such district departments of
172 health. The district treasurer shall disburse the money so received
173 upon warrants approved by a majority of the board and signed by its
174 chairman and secretary. The Comptroller shall quarterly, in July,
175 October, January and April, upon such application and upon the
176 voucher of the Commissioner of Public Health, draw the Comptroller's
177 order on the State Treasurer in favor of such district department of
178 health for the amount due in accordance with the provisions of this
179 section and under rules prescribed by the commissioner. Any moneys
180 remaining unexpended at the end of a fiscal year shall be included in

181 the budget of the district for the ensuing year. This aid shall be
182 rendered from appropriations made from time to time by the General
183 Assembly to the Department of Public Health for this purpose.

184 Sec. 9. Subdivision (4) of section 20-250 of the general statutes is
185 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof:

186 (4) "Hairdressing and cosmetology" means the art of dressing,
187 arranging, curling, waving, weaving, cutting, singeing, bleaching and
188 coloring the hair and treating the scalp of any person, and massaging,
189 cleansing, stimulating, manipulating, exercising or beautifying with
190 the use of the hands, appliances, cosmetic preparations, antiseptics,
191 tonics, lotions, creams, powders, oils or clays and doing similar work
192 on the face, neck and arms, and manicuring the fingernails and, for
193 cosmetic purposes only, trimming, filing and painting the healthy
194 toenails, excluding cutting nail beds, corns and calluses or other
195 medical treatment involving the foot or ankle, of any person for
196 compensation, provided nothing in this definition shall prohibit an
197 unlicensed person from performing facials, eyebrow arching,
198 shampooing, manicuring of the fingernails or braiding hair.

199 Sec. 10. Subsection (c) of section 54-56e of the general statutes is
200 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof:

201 (c) This section shall not be applicable: (1) To any person charged
202 with a class A or class B felony or a violation of section 14-227a,
203 subdivision (2) of section 53-21, section 53a-56b, 53a-60d, 53a-70,
204 53a-70a, 53a-70b, 53a-71, 53a-72a or 53a-72b, (2) to any person charged
205 with a crime or motor vehicle violation who, as a result of the
206 commission of such crime or motor vehicle violation, causes the death
207 of another person, (3) to any person accused of a family violence crime
208 as defined in section 46b-38a who (A) is eligible for the pretrial family
209 violence education program established under section 46b-38c, or (B)
210 has previously had the pretrial family violence education program
211 invoked in such person's behalf, [(4) to any person charged with a
212 violation of section 21a-267 or 21a-279 who (A) is eligible for the

213 pretrial drug education program established under section 54-56i, or
214 (B) has previously had the pretrial drug education program invoked in
215 such person's behalf, or (5)] or (4) unless good cause is shown, to any
216 person charged with a class C felony.

217 Sec. 11. Subsection (c) of section 54-56e of the general statutes, as
218 amended by section 4 of public act 00-172, is repealed and the
219 following is substituted in lieu thereof:

220 (c) This section shall not be applicable: (1) To any person charged
221 with a class A or class B felony or a violation of section 14-227a,
222 subdivision (2) of section 53-21, section 53a-56b, 53a-60d, 53a-70,
223 53a-70a, 53a-70b, 53a-71, 53a-72a or 53a-72b, (2) to any person charged
224 with a crime or motor vehicle violation who, as a result of the
225 commission of such crime or motor vehicle violation, causes the death
226 of another person, (3) to any person accused of a family violence crime
227 as defined in section 46b-38a who (A) is eligible for the pretrial family
228 violence education program established under section 46b-38c, or (B)
229 has previously had the pretrial family violence education program
230 invoked in such person's behalf, [(4) to any person charged with a
231 violation of section 21a-267 or 21a-279 who (A) is eligible for the
232 pretrial drug education program established under section 54-56i, or
233 (B) has previously had the pretrial drug education program invoked in
234 such person's behalf, or (5)] or (4) unless good cause is shown, to any
235 person charged with a class C felony.

236 Sec. 12. Section 54-66a of the general statutes is repealed and the
237 following is substituted in lieu thereof:

238 Any bail bond posted in any criminal proceeding in this state shall
239 be automatically terminated and released whenever the defendant: (1)
240 Is granted accelerated rehabilitation pursuant to section 54-56e; [(2) is
241 granted admission to the pretrial alcohol education system pursuant to
242 section 54-56g; (3)] (2) is granted admission to the pretrial family
243 violence education program pursuant to section 46b-38c; [(4)] (3) is
244 granted admission to the community service labor program pursuant

245 to section 53a-39c; [(5) is granted admission to the pretrial drug
246 education program pursuant to section 54-56i; (6)] (4) has the
247 complaint or information filed against [him] such defendant
248 dismissed; [(7)] (5) is acquitted; or [(8)] (6) is sentenced by the court.

249 Sec. 13. Subsection (b) of section 17a-450a of the general statutes is
250 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof:

251 (b) The Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services shall
252 constitute a successor department to the addiction services component
253 of the Department of Public Health and Addiction Services. Whenever
254 the words "Commissioner of Public Health and Addiction Services" are
255 used or referred to in the following general statutes, the words
256 "Commissioner of Mental Health and Addiction Services" shall be
257 substituted in lieu thereof and whenever the words "Department of
258 Public Health and Addiction Services" are used or referred to in the
259 following general statutes, the words "Department of Mental Health
260 and Addiction Services" shall be substituted in lieu thereof: 4a-12, 17a-
261 3, 17a-465a, 17a-670 to 17a-676, inclusive, 17a-678 to 17a-682, inclusive,
262 17a-684 to 17a-687, inclusive, 17a-691, 17a-694, 17a-710, 17a-712, 17a-
263 713 19a-89c, 20-74o, 20-74p, 20-74q, 21a-274a [,] and 54-36i. [and 54-
264 56g.]

265 Sec. 14. Sections 19a-4j, 19a-4k, 20-266a to 20-266f, inclusive, 54-56g
266 and 54-56i of the general statutes are repealed.

267 Sec. 15. This act shall take effect from its passage, except that section
268 11 shall take effect July 1, 2001, and sections 3 and 5 shall take effect
269 the later of their passage or on the date notice is published by the
270 Commissioner of Public Health in the Connecticut Law Journal
271 indicating that the licensing of athletic trainers and physical therapist
272 assistants is being implemented by the commissioner.

Statement of Purpose:

To implement the Governor's budget recommendations.

[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.]