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**"AN ACT CONCERNING ACCREDITATION FOR MAGNETIC  
RESONANCE IMAGING EQUIPMENT, SERVICES AND  
PERSONNEL."**

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

3 "Section 1. (NEW) Any licensed health care practitioner or  
4 practitioner group operating or replacing any magnetic resonance  
5 imaging equipment or providing any magnetic resonance imaging  
6 service shall obtain magnetic resonance imaging accreditation by the  
7 American College of Radiology, or its successor organization, for all  
8 equipment, services and personnel involved with such magnetic  
9 resonance imaging activities of such practitioner or practitioner group.  
10 Such accreditation shall be obtained not later than eighteen months  
11 after the effective date of this act or eighteen months after the date on  
12 which such magnetic resonance imaging activities are first conducted,  
13 whichever is later. Upon the expiration of the applicable eighteen-  
14 month period, no magnetic resonance imaging equipment may be

15 operated or replaced and no magnetic resonance imaging service may  
16 be provided by any such practitioner or practitioner group that does  
17 not receive accreditation as required by this section. Evidence of such  
18 accreditation shall be maintained at any facility at which magnetic  
19 resonance imaging equipment is operated or replaced or at which  
20 magnetic resonance imaging service is provided and shall be made  
21 available for inspection upon request of the Department of Public  
22 Health.

23 Sec. 2. (NEW) Any office or unlicensed facility operated by a  
24 licensed health care practitioner or practitioner group at which  
25 moderate sedation/analgesia, deep sedation/analgesia or general  
26 anesthesia, as such levels of anesthesia are defined from time to time  
27 by the American Society of Anesthesiology, is administered shall be  
28 accredited by at least one of the following entities: (1) The Medicare  
29 program; (2) the Accreditation Association for Ambulatory Health  
30 Care; (3) the American Association for Accreditation of Ambulatory  
31 Surgery Facilities, Inc.; or (4) the Joint Commission on Accreditation of  
32 Healthcare Organizations. Such accreditation shall be obtained not  
33 later than eighteen months after the effective date of this act or  
34 eighteen months after the date on which moderate sedation/analgesia,  
35 deep sedation/analgesia or general anesthesia is first administered at  
36 such office or facility, whichever is later. Upon the expiration of the  
37 applicable eighteen-month period, no moderate sedation/analgesia,  
38 deep sedation/analgesia or general anesthesia may be administered at  
39 any such office or facility that does not receive accreditation as  
40 required by this section. Evidence of such accreditation shall be  
41 maintained at any such office or facility at which moderate  
42 sedation/analgesia, deep sedation/analgesia or general anesthesia is  
43 administered and shall be made available for inspection upon request  
44 of the Department of Public Health. The provisions of this section shall  
45 not apply to any such office or facility operated by a practitioner  
46 holding a permit issued under section 20-123b of the general statutes.

47 Sec. 3. (NEW) (a) Any health care facility or institution, as defined in  
48 section 19a-630 of the general statutes, that is accredited as provided in

49 section 1 or 2 of this act, or both, shall continue to be subject to the  
50 obligations and requirements applicable to any such health care facility  
51 or institution, including, but not limited to, certificate of need  
52 requirements, as provided in chapter 368z of the general statutes.

53 (b) Any institution, as defined in section 19a-490 of the general  
54 statutes, that is accredited as provided in section 1 or 2 of this act, or  
55 both, shall continue to be subject to the obligations and requirements  
56 applicable to any such institution as provided in chapter 368v of the  
57 general statutes.

58 Sec. 4. This act shall take effect July 1, 2001."