



General Assembly

**Substitute Bill No. 5631**

February Session, 2004

\*        HB05631LM        042004        \*

**AN ACT CONCERNING THE USE OF AUTOMATIC EXTERNAL DEFIBRILLATORS.**

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

1       Section 1. (*Effective from passage*) (a) The Commissioner of Public  
2 Health shall evaluate emergency medical services in the state and  
3 conduct a needs assessment to: (1) Identify placement and use of  
4 automatic external defibrillators within the emergency medical  
5 services system; (2) establish guidelines for providing emergency  
6 medical services during mass gatherings, as described in section 19a-  
7 436 of the general statutes; and (3) review existing laws and  
8 regulations, including, but not limited to, sections 19a-197 of the  
9 general statutes, as amended, 20-9 of the general statutes, as amended,  
10 52-557b of the general statutes, as amended, and subsection (i) of  
11 section 19a-179-9 of the regulations of Connecticut state agencies to  
12 identify conflicting and ambiguous issues, including the meaning of  
13 public access defibrillation.

14       (b) On or before January 1, 2006, the commissioner shall report, in  
15 accordance with section 11-4a of the general statutes, to the joint  
16 standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of  
17 matters relating to public health regarding the findings of the needs  
18 assessment conducted pursuant to subsection (a) of this section.

This act shall take effect as follows:	
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**PH**      *Joint Favorable Subst.*

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