



General Assembly

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**Proposed Bill No. 5169**

LCO No. 447

Referred to Committee on Public Health

Introduced by:

REP. SAYERS, 60th Dist.

**AN ACT CONCERNING QUALITY OF CARE IN CHRONIC DISEASE HOSPITALS.**

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

- 1 That section 19a-253 of the general statutes be amended to require
- 2 that the admissions process for each chronic disease hospital include a
- 3 determination by the hospital's medical director about whether the
- 4 facility and its medical staff is capable of providing adequate care for
- 5 the patient, consistent with the facility's by-laws. The medical director
- 6 shall have access to any patient's record or may examine any patient
- 7 prior to admission for the purpose of making such determination.

**Statement of Purpose:**

To improve quality of care in chronic disease hospitals by ensuring that a chronic disease hospital can meet the needs of a patient prior to admitting the patient.