



**Substitute House Bill No. 7222**

**Public Act No. 07-76**

**AN ACT CONCERNING USE OF UNLICENSED ASSISTIVE PERSONNEL IN RESIDENTIAL CARE HOMES.**

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

Section 1. Section 19a-495a of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2007*):

(a) On or before July 1, 2000, the Commissioner of Public Health shall adopt regulations, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54, to allow unlicensed personnel in residential care homes, as defined in section 19a-490, to obtain certification for the administration of medication. The regulations shall establish training requirements, including on-going training requirements, that include but are not limited to: Initial orientation, resident rights, behavioral management, personal care, nutrition and food safety, and health and safety in general.

(b) On and after October 1, 2007, unlicensed assistive personnel employed in residential care homes, as defined in section 19a-490, may (1) obtain and document residents' blood pressures and temperatures with digital medical instruments that (A) contain internal decision-making electronics, microcomputers or special software that allow the instruments to interpret physiologic signals, and (B) do not require the

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user to employ any discretion or judgment in their use; (2) obtain and document residents' weight; and (3) assist residents in the use of glucose monitors to obtain and document their blood glucose levels.

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