



General Assembly

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Raised Bill No. 5687

LCO No. 2432

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Referred to Committee on Higher Education and Employment
Advancement

Introduced by:
(HED)

AN ACT CONCERNING THE NURSING PROFESSION.

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

1 Section 1. (*Effective July 1, 2008*) The sum of two hundred thousand
2 dollars is appropriated to the Department of Public Health, from the
3 General Fund, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2009, for the purpose
4 of expanding the Nursing Student Loan Forgiveness program to
5 include the recruitment of nurses for state correctional facilities and the
6 Connecticut Valley Hospital.

7 Sec. 2. (*Effective July 1, 2008*) The sum of ____ dollars is appropriated
8 to Charter Oak State College, from the General Fund, for the fiscal year
9 ending June 30, 2009, for the expansion of the RN Refresher Course.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following
sections:

Section 1	<i>July 1, 2008</i>	New section
Sec. 2	<i>July 1, 2008</i>	New section

Statement of Purpose:

To address shortages in the nursing profession by providing opportunities for nursing students and former nurses interested in rejoining the profession, and to expand the RN Refresher Course, a noncredit, certificate refresher course designed by the Connecticut League for Nursing to prepare inactive registered nurses to return, after an absence of three years or more, to the practice of nursing in first-level, medical-surgical staff positions in hospitals, long-term care facilities or in-home care.

[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.]