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**Proposed Bill No. 6200**

LCO No. 2546

Referred to Committee on Public Health

Introduced by:

REP. FAWCETT, 133<sup>rd</sup> Dist.  
REP. GODFREY, 110<sup>th</sup> Dist.  
REP. HORNISH, 62<sup>nd</sup> Dist.  
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REP. REEVES, 143<sup>rd</sup> Dist.  
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REP. BYE, 19<sup>th</sup> Dist.  
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***AN ACT CONCERNING THE USE OF LONG-TERM ANTIBIOTICS FOR THE TREATMENT OF LYME DISEASE.***

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

1 That the general statutes be amended to provide that: (1) A  
2 physician may prescribe, administer or dispense antibiotic therapy for  
3 therapeutic purpose to a person diagnosed with and having symptoms  
4 of Lyme disease if a diagnosis and treatment plan has been  
5 documented in the physician's medical record for that patient; and (2)  
6 no physician may be subject to disciplinary action solely for  
7 prescribing, administering or dispensing long-term antibiotic therapy  
8 for a therapeutic purpose for a patient clinically diagnosed with Lyme  
9 disease, if a diagnosis and treatment plan has been documented in the  
10 physician's medical record for that patient.

***Statement of Purpose:***

To allow physicians to prescribe, administer or dispense long-term antibiotics for therapeutic purposes to patients clinically diagnosed with Lyme disease.