



General Assembly

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**Proposed Bill No. 229**

LCO No. 1224

Referred to Committee on Public Health

Introduced by:  
SEN. DEBICELLA, 21st Dist.

***AN ACT CONCERNING LICENSURE OF FOREIGN NURSES.***

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

- 1 That chapter 378 of the general statutes be amended to require that
- 2 any foreign nurse who is a legal resident of the state shall not be
- 3 required to Commission on Graduates of Foreign Nursing Schools
- 4 qualifying exam prior to taking the national licensing exam for
- 5 registered nurses, provided such nurse completes the required
- 6 credential review and passes and English as a foreign language test
- 7 prior to taking the national exam.

***Statement of Purpose:***

To help address the nursing shortage by easing requirements for foreign nurses to be licensed in the state.