



Senate Bill No. 1110

Public Act No. 09-242

AN ACT CONCERNING SEXUAL ACTIVITY BETWEEN SCHOOL WORKERS AND STUDENTS AND INCLUDING SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENTS AS MANDATED REPORTERS OF CHILD ABUSE OR NEGLECT.

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

Section 1. Subdivision (13) of section 53a-65 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2009*):

(13) "School employee" means: [a] (A) A teacher, substitute teacher, school administrator, school superintendent, guidance counselor, psychologist, social worker, nurse, physician, school paraprofessional or coach employed by a local or regional board of education or a private elementary, [or secondary] middle or high school or working in a public or private elementary, [or secondary] middle or high school; or (B) any other person who, in the performance of his or her duties, has regular contact with students and who provides services to or on behalf of students enrolled in (i) a public elementary, middle or high school, pursuant to a contract with the local or regional board of education, or (ii) a private elementary, middle or high school, pursuant to a contract with the supervisory agent of such private school.

Sec. 2. Subsection (b) of section 17a-101 of the general statutes is

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repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2009*):

(b) The following persons shall be mandated reporters: Any physician or surgeon licensed under the provisions of chapter 370, any resident physician or intern in any hospital in this state, whether or not so licensed, any registered nurse, licensed practical nurse, medical examiner, dentist, dental hygienist, psychologist, coach of intramural or interscholastic athletics, school superintendent, school teacher, school principal, school guidance counselor, school paraprofessional, school coach, social worker, police officer, juvenile or adult probation officer, juvenile or adult parole officer, member of the clergy, pharmacist, physical therapist, optometrist, chiropractor, podiatrist, mental health professional or physician assistant, any person who is a licensed or certified emergency medical services provider, any person who is a licensed or certified alcohol and drug counselor, any person who is a licensed marital and family therapist, any person who is a sexual assault counselor or a battered women's counselor as defined in section 52-146k, any person who is a licensed professional counselor, any person paid to care for a child in any public or private facility, child day care center, group day care home or family day care home licensed by the state, any employee of the Department of Children and Families, any employee of the Department of Public Health who is responsible for the licensing of child day care centers, group day care homes, family day care homes or youth camps, the Child Advocate and any employee of the Office of the Child Advocate.

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