



General Assembly

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**Proposed Bill No. 5936**

LCO No. 1622

Referred to Committee on Public Health

Introduced by:  
REP. ROLDAN, 4th Dist.

**AN ACT CONCERNING THE SHORTAGE OF NURSES IN CONNECTICUT.**

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 the
- 2 Department of Public Health to issue a registered nurse license
- 3 without examination pursuant to section 20-94 of the general statutes,
- 4 or a licensed practical nurse license without examination pursuant to
- 5 section 20-97 of the general statutes, to a nurse holding a substantially
- 6 equivalent license or certificate in the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico,
- 7 provided such nurse has actively practiced and maintained good
- 8 standing in Puerto Rico for not less than five years.

**Statement of Purpose:**

To require the Department of Public Health to provide Connecticut nursing licenses to experienced nurses licensed or certified in the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico.