



General Assembly

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Raised Bill No. 6405

LCO No. 3514

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Referred to Committee on Energy and Technology

Introduced by:
(ET)

AN ACT CONCERNING CERTIFICATION OF SERIOUSLY ILL UTILITY CUSTOMERS.

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

1 Section 1. Subsection (b) of section 16-262d of the general statutes is
2 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*
3 *1, 2011*):

4 (b) No such company, electric supplier or municipal utility shall
5 effect termination of service for nonpayment during such time as any
6 resident of a dwelling to which such service is furnished is seriously ill,
7 if the fact of such serious illness is certified to such company, electric
8 supplier or municipal utility by a registered physician or an advanced
9 practice registered nurse within such period of time after the mailing
10 of a termination notice pursuant to subsection (a) of this section as the
11 Department of Public Utility Control may by regulation establish,
12 provided the customer agrees to amortize the unpaid balance of his
13 account over a reasonable period of time and keeps current his account
14 for utility service as charges accrue in each subsequent billing period.

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

Section 1	July 1, 2011	16-262d(b)
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Statement of Purpose:

To allow advanced practice registered nurses to certify to a utility company or electric supplier that one of its customers is seriously ill and such company or supplier should not terminate the customer's service.

[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.]