



General Assembly

January Session, 2011

Raised Bill No. 1072

LCO No. 3749

03749_____JUD

Referred to Committee on Judiciary

Introduced by:
(JUD)

AN ACT CONCERNING LETTERS OF PROTECTION.

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

1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2011*) Any physician licensed
2 under chapter 370 of the general statutes and any physical therapist
3 licensed under chapter 376 of the general statutes shall inform a
4 patient whether such physician or physical therapist would provide
5 services to such patient on the basis of a letter of protection issued by
6 an attorney representing the patient in a personal injury action which
7 letter promises that any bill for services rendered by such physician or
8 physical therapist to such patient will be paid from the proceeds of any
9 recovery the patient receives from a settlement or judgment in such
10 action or, if there is no recovery or the recovery is insufficient to pay
11 such bill, that such bill will be paid by such patient.

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

Section 1	<i>October 1, 2011</i>	New section
-----------	------------------------	-------------

Statement of Purpose:

To require physicians and physical therapists to inform a patient whether they would provide care and treatment to such patient in return for a letter of protection guaranteeing payment from any settlement or judgment that may be received by the patient.

[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.]