



General Assembly

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Raised Bill No. 5435

LCO No. 1602

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Referred to Committee on Public Health

Introduced by:
(PH)

AN ACT CONCERNING "DO NOT RESUSCITATE" ORDERS.

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

1 Section 1. Section 19a-580d of the general statutes is repealed and
2 the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2012*):

3 The Department of Public Health shall adopt regulations, in
4 accordance with chapter 54, to provide for a system governing the
5 recognition and transfer of "do not resuscitate" orders between health
6 care institutions licensed pursuant to chapter 368v and upon
7 intervention by emergency medical services providers certified or
8 licensed pursuant to chapter 368d. The regulations shall include, but
9 not be limited to, procedures concerning (1) the use of "do not
10 resuscitate" bracelets, and (2) the transfer and recognition of "do not
11 resuscitate" orders by health care institutions. The regulations shall
12 specify that, upon request of the patient or his authorized
13 representative, the physician who issued the "do not resuscitate" order
14 shall assist the patient or his authorized representative in utilizing the
15 system. The regulations shall not limit the authority of the
16 Commissioner of Developmental Services under subsection (g) of

- 17 section 17a-238 concerning orders applied to persons receiving services
18 under the direction of the Commissioner of Developmental Services.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
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Section 1	October 1, 2012	19a-580d
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Statement of Purpose:

To clarify procedures concerning "do not resuscitate" orders.

[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.]