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Connecticut Psychiatric Society

Statement on

Senate Bill 1069 – An Act Concerning the Joint Practice of Physician and Psychologists

Public Health Committee

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This statement is being submitted on behalf of the nearly 800 members of the Connecticut Psychiatric Society in support of Senate Bill 1069 – An Act Concerning the Joint Practice of Physician and Psychologists.

Senate Bill 1069 would redefine "professional corporation" to include corporations that are organized for the purpose of rendering professional services by physicians and psychologists. We support this idea because the delivery of healthcare is changing. Integrated models with physicians teaming with other healthcare providers to provide high quality, accessible care is becoming increasingly common. As psychiatrists we often work with psychologists and other members of the mental health care community and think that codifying a professional business relationship into law would help to establish practices that could benefit our patients.

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