



General Assembly

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***Raised Bill No. 5124***

LCO No. 927



Referred to Committee on GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION  
AND ELECTIONS

Introduced by:  
(GAE)

***AN ACT CONCERNING THE PRESERVATION OF HISTORICAL  
RECORDS AND ACCESS TO RESTRICTED RECORDS IN THE STATE  
ARCHIVES.***

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

1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2014*) Any record transferred to  
2 the state archives established in section 11-1c of the general statutes  
3 that the State Archivist determines to be a record of historical value  
4 shall be retained for posterity and title to such record shall vest in the  
5 state archives.

6 Sec. 2. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2014*) (a) For purposes of this  
7 section:

8 (1) "Government record" means any recorded data or information  
9 prepared, owned, used, received or retained by a state or local  
10 government agency that has been deemed confidential, classified or  
11 private;

12 (2) "Medical record" means any information, whether oral or

13 recorded in any form or medium, that: (A) Is created or received by a  
14 health care provider, health plan, employer, life insurer, school or  
15 university, or health care clearinghouse; and (B) relates to (i) the past,  
16 present, or future physical or mental health or condition of an  
17 individual; (ii) the provision of health care to an individual; or (iii) the  
18 past, present, or future payment for the provision of health care to an  
19 individual; and

20 (3) "State archives" has the same meaning as described in section 11-  
21 1c of the general statutes.

22 (b) Notwithstanding any provision of the general statutes, any  
23 prohibition against viewing a government record, other than a medical  
24 record, that has been deposited in the state archives shall be lifted  
25 seventy-five years after the creation of such record.

26 (c) Notwithstanding any provision of the general statutes, any  
27 prohibition against viewing a medical record that has been deposited  
28 in the state archives shall be lifted fifty years after the death of the  
29 individual who is the subject of such record.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>October 1, 2014</i>	New section
Sec. 2	<i>October 1, 2014</i>	New section

**Statement of Purpose:**

To require the preservation of records of historical value and to lift restrictions on access to government and medical records after a certain amount of time has passed.

*[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.]*