



**AN ACT CONCERNING THE PROVISION OF PSYCHIATRIC AND SUBSTANCE USE TREATMENT SERVICES.**

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

1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2014*) A psychiatric outpatient  
 2 clinic for adults, a free-standing clinic for the care or the treatment of  
 3 persons with substance use disorders, a hospital for psychiatric  
 4 disabilities, as defined in section 17a-495 of the general statutes, or a  
 5 general acute care hospital that provides outpatient psychiatric  
 6 services that is licensed in accordance with chapter 368v of the general  
 7 statutes may, under the terms of such license, provide psychiatric  
 8 services or substance use disorder treatment services at a location that  
 9 is not physically part of the licensed clinic or hospital. Such location  
 10 shall include, but need not be limited to, a physician's office, acute care  
 11 hospital or other location that is acceptable to the patient receiving  
 12 such services and is consistent with such patient's treatment plan.

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

**Statement of Legislative Commissioners:**

In section 1, the phrase "licensed clinic or facility" was changed to "licensed clinic or hospital", for internal consistency.

**PH**      *Joint Favorable Subst.*