



General Assembly

January Session, 2015

**Committee Bill No. 6100**

LCO No. 5154



Referred to Committee on GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION  
AND ELECTIONS

Introduced by:  
(GAE)

***AN ACT DESIGNATING SPINAL MUSCULAR ATROPHY WITH  
RESPIRATORY DISTRESS AWARENESS DAY.***

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

1 Section 1. Subsection (a) of section 10-29a of the general statutes is  
2 amended by adding subdivision (69) as follows (*Effective from passage*):

3 (NEW) (69) The Governor shall proclaim February tenth of each  
4 year to be Spinal Muscular Atrophy with Respiratory Distress  
5 Awareness Day to heighten public awareness of the associated  
6 presentation and available treatments for spinal muscular atrophy  
7 with respiratory distress. Suitable exercises shall be held in the State  
8 Capitol and elsewhere as the Governor designates for the observance  
9 of the day.

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

Section 1	<i>from passage</i>	10-29a(a)
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**Statement of Purpose:**

To recognize and bring awareness to spinal muscular atrophy with respiratory distress or SMARD.

*[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.]*

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