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**"AN ACT CONCERNING NOTIFICATION TO EMERGENCY  
MEDICAL SERVICES ORGANIZATIONS REGARDING PATIENTS  
DIAGNOSED WITH AN INFECTIOUS DISEASE."**

1 Strike everything after the enacting clause and substitute the  
2 following in lieu thereof:

3 "Section 1. (*Effective from passage*) (a) For the purposes of this section,  
4 "supplemental first responder" means an emergency medical services  
5 provider who holds a certificate of authorization by the Commissioner  
6 of Public Health and responds to a victim of sudden illness or injury  
7 when available and when requested by a telephone call, text message  
8 or voice communication, but does not offer transportation to patients  
9 or operate an ambulance service or paramedic intercept service,  
10 "emergency medical services personnel" means an individual certified  
11 pursuant to chapter 384d of the general statutes to practice as an  
12 emergency medical responder, emergency medical technician,

13 advanced emergency medical technician or emergency medical  
14 services instructor or an individual licensed pursuant to chapter 384d  
15 of the general statutes as a paramedic, and "patient", "ambulance  
16 service", "provider", "paramedic intercept service" and "emergency  
17 medical technician" have the same meanings as provided in section  
18 19a-175 of the general statutes.

19 (b) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (a) of section 19a-  
20 180 of the general statutes, the Commissioner of Public Health may  
21 issue a certificate of authorization for a supplemental first responder to  
22 an emergency medical services provider who operates only in a  
23 municipality with a population of at least one hundred five thousand,  
24 but not more than one hundred fifteen thousand, as determined by the  
25 most recent population estimate by the Department of Public Health.  
26 A certificate of authorization shall be issued to an emergency medical  
27 services provider that shows proof satisfactory to the commissioner  
28 that such emergency medical services provider (1) meets the minimum  
29 standards of the commissioner in the areas of training, equipment and  
30 emergency medical services personnel, and (2) maintains liability  
31 insurance in an amount not less than one million dollars. Applications  
32 for such certificate of authorization shall be made in the form and  
33 manner prescribed by the commissioner. Upon determination by the  
34 commissioner that an applicant is qualified to be a supplemental first  
35 responder, the commissioner shall issue a certificate of authorization  
36 effective for two years to such applicant. Such certificate of  
37 authorization shall be renewable biennially. If the commissioner  
38 determines that an applicant for such license is not so qualified, the  
39 commissioner shall provide such applicant with written notice of the  
40 denial of the application with a statement of the reasons for such  
41 denial. Such applicant shall have thirty days to request a hearing  
42 concerning the denial of the application. Any hearing conducted  
43 pursuant to this subsection shall be conducted in accordance with the  
44 provisions of chapter 54 of the general statutes. If the commissioner's  
45 denial of a certificate of authorization is sustained after such hearing,  
46 an applicant may make new application not less than one year after the

47 date on which such denial was sustained.

48 (c) The commissioner may suspend or revoke a holder's certificate  
49 of authorization for a supplemental first responder if such holder does  
50 not maintain the minimum standards of the commissioner pursuant to  
51 subdivisions (1) and (2) of subsection (b) of this section or violates any  
52 provision of chapter 368d of the general statutes. Such holder shall  
53 have an opportunity to show compliance with all requirements for the  
54 retention of such certificate of authorization."

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