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To: Senate Bill No. 1028

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(As Amended by Senate Amendment Schedule "A")

"AN ACT CONCERNING THE TOLLING OF THE STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS FOR A NEGLIGENCE ACTION BROUGHT BY A MINOR."

1 After the last section, add the following and renumber sections and
2 internal references accordingly:

3 "Sec. 501. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2015*) (a) Except as provided in
4 subsection (c) of this section, each person admitted as an attorney by
5 the Superior Court, in accordance with section 51-80 of the general
6 statutes, shall maintain professional liability insurance or other
7 indemnity against liability for professional malpractice. The amount of
8 insurance that each such person shall carry as insurance or indemnity
9 against claims for professional malpractice shall not be less than five
10 hundred thousand dollars for one person, per occurrence, with an

11 aggregate of not less than one million five hundred thousand dollars.

12 (b) Not later than March 1, 2016, and annually thereafter, each
13 insurance company that issues professional liability insurance policies
14 described in subdivision (3) of subsection (b) of section 38a-393 of the
15 general statutes shall render to the State-Wide Grievance Committee
16 established in section 51-90 of the general statutes a true record of the
17 names and addresses, according to classification, of cancellations of
18 and refusals to renew professional liability insurance policies and the
19 reasons for such cancellation or refusal to renew such policies for the
20 prior calendar year.

21 (c) Any person who is subject to the provisions of subsection (a) of
22 this section shall be deemed in compliance with said subsection (a) if
23 such person (1) provides legal services to a single client who has
24 knowingly waived the requirements of said subsection (a) in writing,
25 or (2) is exempt from the requirement to pay occupational tax under
26 subsection (g) of section 51-81b of the general statutes, or is not liable
27 for the payment of occupational tax under subsection (h) of section 51-
28 81b of the general statutes.

29 (d) The State-Wide Grievance Committee shall notify the Chief
30 Court Administrator of the violation of this section by any person. If
31 such violation continues for more than thirty days, such person's
32 admission as an attorney shall be administratively suspended in
33 accordance with rules which the judges of the Superior Court shall
34 establish. Such person's admission as an attorney shall remain
35 administratively suspended until such time as the person submits
36 proof that such person has obtained professional liability insurance in
37 accordance with this section. If, prior to such administrative
38 suspension, a person who is in violation of this section submits proof
39 to the State-Wide Grievance Committee and the Chief Court
40 Administrator that such person has applied for assistance pursuant to
41 section 51-81d of the general statutes, as amended by this act, any
42 administrative suspension proceeding against such person shall be
43 tolled during the pendency of such application for assistance."

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Sec. 501	<i>October 1, 2015</i>	New section