

To Whom it May Concern,

I have been practicing as a Registered Nurse in the state of Connecticut since February, 1985. I have been an Aesthetic Nurse for the past ten years and have been successful as a Laser Nurse Specialist working under a plastic surgeon or ENT . I am very concerned with the above proposed bill to restrict RN's and APRN's from the scope of practice in running a laser or performing injections for cosmetic purposes. Nurse's sub specialize and have more hands on experience in these areas than most physicians. To restrict this to an M.D, only practice implies that any discipline of physician is able to perform these services even without experience and if it is not within his or her specialty area. The Aesthetic field has become saturated as it is with non core M.D.'s (ie, other than a dermatologist, ENT or Plastic Surgeon) able to order any injectable material and skin tightening or laser machine to incorporate into their practice. This has not only reduced business for those of us whose primary income is Aesthetics, and now the proposed bill will be excluding us from practicing in a specialty area that we have years of experience as well as what services we provide best. This will essentially eliminate our income and the R.N.from practicing in this field of nursing.

Please reconsider tabling this bill and keeping the R.N's in practice within their scope under a supervising physician in this highly specialized area.

Thank you for your consideration.
Sincerely,

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