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State of Connecticut
REGULATION
of the

NAME OF AGENCY:

CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Concerning

SUBJECT MATTER OF REGULATION:

Cranes and Derricks in Construction: Operator Certification

Section 1. Section 31-372-107-1926 of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies is amended by adding the following:

Section 31-372-107-1926. Safety and Health Standards for Construction Industry

| <u>Standard Affected</u> | <u>Subject</u> | <u>Fed. Reg. Date</u> | <u>Action</u> |
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| 1926.1427 | Operator qualification and certification. | 9/26/14 | Amended |

https://www.osha.gov/FedReg_oshapdf/FED20140926A.pdf

Statement of Purpose

Pursuant to CGS Section 4-170(b)(3), "Each proposed regulation shall have a statement of its purpose following the final section of the regulation." Enter the statement here.

The adoption by reference of these revisions to the Federal Occupational Safety and Health Standards will serve to update Connecticut Occupational Safety and Health Standards in accordance with Section 31-372 of the Connecticut General Statutes. On September 26, 2014, the federal Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) published its intent to update its construction standards pertaining to cranes and derricks used in construction.

Conn. Gen. Stat. 31-372 requires, as an element of Connecticut's approved Public Sector-Only State Plan, that the Department of Labor's Occupational Safety and Health Division (CONN-OSHA) adopt all occupational health and safety standards, amendments or changes adopted or recognized by the United States Secretary of Labor under the authority of the Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970.

OSHA noted therein that it was extending its November 10, 2014, deadline for employers to ensure that crane operators are certified by three years, until November 10, 2017. OSHA also extended its employer duty to ensure that crane operators are competent to operate a crane safely for the same three-year period. The final rule became effective on November 9, 2014.