



General Assembly

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Raised Bill No. 5524

LCO No. 2527



Referred to Committee on JUDICIARY

Introduced by:
(JUD)

AN ACT INCREASING PENALTIES FOR DEALING SYNTHETIC DRUGS.

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

1 Section 1. Subdivision (30) of section 21a-240 of the 2016 supplement
2 to the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in
3 lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2016*):

4 (30) "Narcotic substance" means any of the following, whether
5 produced directly or indirectly by extraction from [substances] a
6 substance of vegetable origin, or independently by means of chemical
7 synthesis, or by a combination of extraction and chemical synthesis:
8 (A) Morphine-type: (i) Opium [and] or opiate, [and] or any salt,
9 compound, derivative, or preparation of opium or opiate which [are] is
10 similar [thereto] to any such substance in chemical structure or which
11 [are] is similar [thereto] to any such substance in physiological effect
12 and which [show] shows a like potential for abuse, which [are] is a
13 controlled [substances] substance under this chapter unless modified;
14 (ii) any salt, compound, isomer, derivative, or preparation [thereof] of
15 any such substance which is chemically equivalent or identical [with]

16 to any [of the substances] substance referred to in clause (i), but not
17 including the isoquinoline alkaloids of opium; (iii) opium poppy [and]
18 or poppy straw; or (iv) fentanyl or any salt, compound, derivative or
19 preparation of fentanyl or any salt, compound, isomer, derivative or
20 preparation of any such substance which is chemically equivalent or
21 identical to any such substance in chemical structure or which is
22 similar to any such substance in physiological effect and which shows
23 a like potential for abuse, which is a controlled substance under this
24 chapter unless modified; or (B) cocaine-type: [, coca] Coca leaves [and]
25 or any salt, compound, derivative or preparation of coca leaves, [and]
26 or any salt, compound, isomer, [derivatives] derivative or preparation
27 [thereof] of any such substance which is chemically equivalent or
28 identical [with] to any [of these substances] such substance or which
29 [are] is similar [thereto] to any such substance in physiological effect
30 and which [show] shows a like potential for abuse, but not including
31 decocainized coca leaves or extractions of coca leaves which do not
32 contain cocaine or ecgonine;

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	October 1, 2016	21a-240(30)

Statement of Purpose:

To amend the definition of "narcotic substance" to add fentanyl and fentanyl derivatives in order to increase penalties for dealing such substances.

[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.]