



General Assembly

February Session, 2016

***Raised Bill No. 70***

LCO No. 563



Referred to Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH

Introduced by:  
(PH)

***AN ACT CONCERNING TELEHEALTH PROVIDERS.***

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

1 Section 1. Subdivision (11) of subsection (a) of section 19a-906 of the  
2 2016 supplement to the general statutes is repealed and the following  
3 is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2016*):

4 (11) "Telehealth provider" means any physician licensed under  
5 chapter 370, physical therapist licensed under chapter 376,  
6 chiropractor licensed under chapter 372, naturopath licensed under  
7 chapter 373, podiatrist licensed under chapter 375, occupational  
8 therapist licensed under chapter 376a, optometrist licensed under  
9 chapter 380, advanced practice registered nurse licensed under chapter  
10 378, physician assistant licensed under chapter 370, psychologist  
11 licensed under chapter 383, marital and family therapist licensed  
12 under chapter 383a, clinical social worker or master social worker  
13 licensed under chapter 383b, alcohol and drug counselor licensed  
14 under chapter 376b<sub>2</sub>, professional counselor licensed under chapter  
15 383c<sub>2</sub> [or] dietitian-nutritionist certified under chapter 384b, speech and  
16 language pathologist licensed under chapter 399 or respiratory care

17 practitioner licensed under chapter 381a, who is providing health care  
18 or other health services through the use of telehealth within such  
19 person's scope of practice and in accordance with the standard of care  
20 applicable to the profession.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	October 1, 2016	19a-906(a)(11)

**Statement of Purpose:**

To redefine "telehealth provider" to include speech and language pathologists and respiratory care practitioners.

*[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.]*