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Raised Bill No. 299

LCO No. 2034



Referred to Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH

Introduced by:
(PH)

AN ACT CONCERNING THE ADOPTION OF REGULATIONS TO ESTABLISH MINIMUM STANDARDS FOR SCHOOL-BASED HEALTH CENTERS.

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

1 Section 1. Section 19a-6r of the 2016 supplement to the general
2 statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof
3 (*Effective from passage*):

4 (a) As used in sections 19a-6i, 19a-7d and 19a-638:

5 (1) "School-based health center" means a health center that: (A) Is
6 located in, or on the grounds of, a school facility of a school district or
7 school board or of an Indian tribe or tribal organization; (B) is
8 organized through school, community and health provider
9 relationships; (C) is administered by a sponsoring facility; and (D)
10 provides comprehensive on-site medical and behavioral health
11 services to children and adolescents in accordance with state and local
12 law, including laws relating to licensure and certification.

13 (2) "Expanded school health site" means a health center that: (A) Is

14 located in, or on the grounds of, a school facility of a school district or
15 school board; (B) is organized through school, community and health
16 provider relationships; (C) is administered by a sponsoring facility;
17 and (D) provides medical or behavioral services, including, but not
18 limited to, dental services, counseling, health education, health
19 screening and prevention services, to children and adolescents in
20 accordance with state and local law, including laws relating to
21 licensure and certification.

22 (3) "Sponsoring facility" means a: (A) Hospital; (B) public health
23 department; (C) community health center; (D) nonprofit health or
24 human services agency; (E) school or school system; or (F) program
25 administered by the Indian Health Service or the Bureau of Indian
26 Affairs or operated by an Indian tribe or a tribal organization.

27 (b) No person or entity shall use the term "school-based health
28 center" to describe a facility or make use of any words, letters or
29 abbreviations that may reasonably be confused with said term unless
30 the facility meets the definition of a school-based health center in
31 subsection (a) of this section.

32 (c) The Department of Public Health [may] shall adopt regulations,
33 in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54, to establish minimum
34 quality standards for school-based health centers, as defined in
35 subsection (a) of this section.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>from passage</i>	19a-6r

Statement of Purpose:

To require the Department of Public Health to adopt regulations to establish minimum quality standards for school-based health centers.

[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.]