



General Assembly

**Substitute Bill No. 820**

January Session, 2017

\* SB00820CE 032117 \*

**AN ACT CONCERNING ELIGIBILITY OF PRIMARY CARE  
PHYSICIANS UNDER THE SMALL BUSINESS EXPRESS PROGRAM.**

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

1 Section 1. Subsection (a) of section 32-7g of the general statutes is  
2 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective*  
3 *October 1, 2017*):

4 (a) (1) There is established within the Department of Economic and  
5 Community Development the Small Business Express program. Said  
6 program shall provide small businesses with various forms of financial  
7 assistance, using a streamlined application process to expedite the  
8 delivery of such assistance. The Commissioner of Economic and  
9 Community Development, at his or her discretion, may partner with  
10 the lenders in the Connecticut Credit Consortium, established  
11 pursuant to section 32-9yy, in order to fulfill the requirements of this  
12 section. A small business eligible for assistance through said program  
13 shall [(1)] (A) employ, on at least fifty per cent of its working days  
14 during the preceding twelve months, not more than one hundred  
15 employees, [(2)] (B) have operations in Connecticut, [(3)] (C) have been  
16 registered to conduct business for not less than twelve months, and  
17 [(4)] (D) be in good standing with the payment of all state and local  
18 taxes and with all state agencies.

19     (2) Notwithstanding the provisions of subdivision (1) of this  
20 subsection, a business eligible for assistance under this section shall  
21 also include any physician licensed in Connecticut or any physician  
22 office that, (A) is located in and provides primary care services to  
23 adults or children in the state, (B) has been registered to conduct  
24 business for not less than six months, (C) employs, on at least fifty per  
25 cent of its working days during the preceding twelve months, not  
26 more than one hundred employees, and (D) is in good standing with  
27 the payment of all state and local taxes and with the Department of  
28 Public Health.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	October 1, 2017	32-7g(a)

**CE**        *Joint Favorable Subst.*