
OLR Bill Analysis

sSB 171

AN ACT CONCERNING DOCTOR OF PHYSICAL THERAPY DESIGNATION.

SUMMARY

This bill prohibits anyone from using the term “Doctor of Physical Therapy” or the letters “D.P.T.” unless the person is licensed as a physical therapist and has a Doctor of Physical Therapy degree from an accredited higher education institution. A violation is a class D felony, punishable by up to five years in prison, a fine of up to \$5,000, or both (CGS § 20-73(c)).

The bill also removes obsolete statutory references to “registered physical therapist” and “R.P.T.”

EFFECTIVE DATE: July 1, 2018

COMMITTEE ACTION

Public Health Committee

Joint Favorable Substitute

Yea 25 Nay 0 (03/09/2018)