



General Assembly

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**Proposed Bill No. 142**

LCO No. 1764



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Referred to Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH

Introduced by:  
SEN. COHEN, 12th Dist.

**AN ACT REQUIRING THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH TO ESTABLISH A WHOLESALE PRESCRIPTION DRUG IMPORTATION PROGRAM.**

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

- 1 That title 19a of the general statutes be amended to require the
- 2 Department of Public Health to establish a wholesale importation
- 3 program to allow for the wholesale importation of prescription drugs
- 4 from Canada, provided said department submits a request, on or
- 5 before January 1, 2020, to the federal Department of Health and
- 6 Human Services for certification of such program.

**Statement of Purpose:**

To ensure that people have options when purchasing high-cost prescription drugs by establishing a program to allow for the wholesale importation of prescription drugs from Canada.