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Proposed Bill No. 5403

LCO No. 876



Referred to Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH

Introduced by:
REP. COOK, 65th Dist.

AN ACT CONCERNING ADVANCED PRACTICE REGISTERED NURSES.

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

1 That the general statutes be amended to (1) allow an advanced
2 practice registered nurse to collaborate with another advanced practice
3 registered nurse, as well as a physician, under subsection (b) of section
4 20-87a of the general statutes for the first three years after having been
5 issued a license, (2) establish a system of reciprocity for any advanced
6 practice registered nurse licensed in another state who is relocating to
7 Connecticut that eliminates the requirement that such advanced
8 practice registered nurse collaborate with a physician or another
9 advanced practice registered nurse for the first three years after
10 obtaining employment as an advanced practice registered nurse in the
11 state, provided such advanced practice registered nurse performs
12 advanced practice registered nursing activities for a period of not less
13 than three years and not less than two thousand hours in accordance
14 with subsection (b) of section 20-87a of the general statutes, and (3)
15 implement a global signature that allows an advanced practice

16 registered nurse to sign the various health care forms that ensure
17 fulfillment of orders, referrals or recognition of a patient's health status
18 or care that are within the scope of practice of such advanced practice
19 registered nurse, but that may currently be signed only by a physician.

Statement of Purpose:

To expand the selection process for new advanced practice registered nurses and eliminate the barrier for any advanced practice registered nurse who wishes to work in the state but is having difficulty finding physicians with whom to collaborate.