AN ACT CONCERNING FORGERY OF A WRITTEN INSTRUMENT INDICATING VACCINATION AGAINST COVID-19.

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

Section 1. Section 53a-140 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective October 1, 2022):

(a) A person is guilty of forgery in the third degree when, with intent to defraud, deceive or injure another, [he] such person falsely makes, completes or alters a written instrument, or issues or possesses any written instrument which [he] such person knows to be forged. As used in this section: (1) "Written instrument" includes a paper or electronic card or record provided to a person by a vaccine provider indicating the date on which a person received a vaccination against COVID-19 and the type of vaccine, and (2) "COVID-19" means the respiratory disease designated by the World Health Organization on February 11, 2020, as coronavirus 2019, and any related mutation thereof recognized by the World Health Organization as a communicable respiratory disease.

(b) Forgery in the third degree is a class B misdemeanor.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:
| Section 1 | October 1, 2022 | 53a-140 |

**JUD**  
*Joint Favorable Subst.*