



General Assembly

February Session, 2022

**Raised Bill No. 246**

LCO No. 2256



Referred to Committee on HIGHER EDUCATION AND  
EMPLOYMENT ADVANCEMENT

Introduced by:  
(HED)

***AN ACT ALLOWING CLINICAL SOCIAL WORKERS AND ADVANCED  
PRACTICE REGISTERED NURSES EMPLOYED BY THE UNIVERSITY  
OF CONNECTICUT TO ISSUE AN EMERGENCY CERTIFICATE TO  
TRANSPORT STUDENTS TO A HOSPITAL.***

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

1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2022*) Any clinical social worker  
2 licensed under chapter 383b of the general statutes or advanced practice  
3 registered nurse licensed under chapter 378 of the general statutes, who  
4 is employed by The University of Connecticut's Student Health and  
5 Wellness to provide mental health care services to students of the  
6 university and has reasonable cause to believe that a student present on  
7 any campus of the university has a psychiatric disability and is a danger  
8 to such student or others or is gravely disabled and in need of  
9 immediate care and treatment, may issue an emergency certificate that  
10 authorizes that such student be taken by ambulance to a general hospital  
11 for purposes of a medical examination. A physician licensed under  
12 chapter 370 of the general statutes shall examine such student not later  
13 than twenty-four hours after such student's arrival at the hospital. The  
14 hospital shall not hold such student for longer than seventy-two hours

15 unless such student is committed to a hospital for psychiatric disabilities  
16 pursuant to section 17a-502 of the general statutes.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>July 1, 2022</i>	New section

***Statement of Purpose:***

To allow clinical social workers and advanced practice registered nurses employed by The University of Connecticut to issue an emergency certificate to transport students to a hospital.

*[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]*