



Senate

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Substitute Senate Bill No. 955

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The Committee on Public Health reported through SEN. ANWAR of the 3rd Dist., Chairperson of the Committee on the part of the Senate, that the substitute bill ought to pass.

AN ACT CONCERNING ANATOMICAL GIFTS.

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

1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective from passage*) (a) Not later than January 1,
2 2024, and annually thereafter, each hospital shall report to the
3 Commissioner of Public Health every instance when the hospital
4 allowed a person to amend or revoke an anatomical gift, as defined in
5 section 19a-289a of the general statutes, that (1) a deceased person made
6 prior to such person's death in accordance with the provisions of the
7 Revised Uniform Anatomical Gift Act set forth in sections 19a-289 to
8 19a-289v, inclusive, of the general statutes, and (2) the deceased person
9 had not amended or revoked pursuant to such provisions prior to such
10 person's death.

11 (b) Not later than February 1, 2024, and annually thereafter, the
12 Commissioner of Public Health shall report, in accordance with the
13 provisions of section 11-4a of the general statutes, to the joint standing
14 committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters
15 relating to public health regarding the reports made by hospitals

16 pursuant to subsection (a) of this section.

17 Sec. 2. (*Effective from passage*) (a) The Department of Public Health
18 shall, in consultation with the Department of Motor Vehicles, The
19 University of Connecticut and a representative of an organ donor
20 services organization in the state, evaluate information contained in any
21 motor vehicle accident data repository in the state and any additional
22 relevant data to determine the following:

23 (1) The number of motorcycle accidents in the state in the preceding
24 four years and the percentage of the total number of motor vehicle
25 accidents in the state that is represented by such number of motorcycle
26 accidents;

27 (2) The number of fatalities that resulted from a motorcycle accident
28 in the state in the preceding four years and the percentage of the total
29 number of fatalities that resulted from a motor vehicle accident that is
30 represented by such number of fatalities that resulted from a motorcycle
31 accident;

32 (3) The number of unexpired motor vehicle licenses in the state
33 having a motorcycle endorsement and the percentage of such licenses
34 indicating that the licensee is an organ and tissue donor; and

35 (4) The number of anatomical gifts, as defined in section 19a-289a of
36 the general statutes, that were made by a person who died in a
37 motorcycle accident in the state in the preceding four years.

38 (b) Not later than January 1, 2024, the Commissioner of Public Health
39 shall report, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a of the
40 general statutes, to the joint standing committee of the General
41 Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to public health
42 regarding the evaluation performed pursuant to subsection (a) of this
43 section.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

Section 1	<i>from passage</i>	New section
Sec. 2	<i>from passage</i>	New section

PH *Joint Favorable Subst.*

The following Fiscal Impact Statement and Bill Analysis are prepared for the benefit of the members of the General Assembly, solely for purposes of information, summarization and explanation and do not represent the intent of the General Assembly or either chamber thereof for any purpose. In general, fiscal impacts are based upon a variety of informational sources, including the analyst's professional knowledge. Whenever applicable, agency data is consulted as part of the analysis, however final products do not necessarily reflect an assessment from any specific department.

OFA Fiscal Note

State Impact:

Agency Affected	Fund-Effect	FY 24 \$	FY 25 \$
Public Health, Dept.	GF - Cost	5,400	None

Note: GF=General Fund

Municipal Impact: None

Explanation

This bill, which requires each hospital, by 1/1/24, to annually report to the Department of Public Health (DPH) every instance when it allowed someone to amend or revoke an anatomical gift and requires the agency to analyze certain information, results in a cost to the agency of \$5,400 in FY 24 only. DPH will need to hire a consultant to work across agencies and organizations (the Department of Motor Vehicles, the University of Connecticut, and organ donor services organizations) to gather the data necessary to perform the required analysis. It is estimated that this analysis will take approximately 10 hours per week over a two-to-three-month period for a contacted Business Analyst Consultant at an hourly rate of \$45.00.

The Out Years

There is no fiscal impact to the State or municipalities in the out years.

OLR Bill Analysis**sSB 955*****AN ACT CONCERNING ANATOMICAL GIFTS.*****SUMMARY**

This bill requires each hospital, starting by January 1, 2024, to annually report to the Department of Public Health (DPH) commissioner every instance when it allowed someone to amend or revoke an anatomical gift that a deceased person (1) made before death under the Revised Uniform Anatomical Gift Act and (2) did not amend or revoke before passing. DPH must then report to the Public Health Committee on these hospital reports annually, starting by February 1, 2024.

Additionally, the bill requires DPH, in consultation with the Department of Motor Vehicles, UConn, and a representative of a Connecticut organ donor services organization, to evaluate information in any motor vehicle accident data repository in the state and any additional relevant data to determine the following:

1. the number and percentages of motorcycle accidents and fatalities in the state in the past four years (as compared to those of all motor vehicles);
2. the number of unexpired motor vehicle licenses with a motorcycle endorsement and the percentage of the license holders that are organ and tissue donors; and
3. the number of anatomical gifts that were made by people who died in motorcycle accidents in the state in the past four years.

The bill requires the DPH commissioner to report the evaluation to the Public Health Committee by January 1, 2024.

Under the bill, an “anatomical gift” is a donation of all or part of a human body to take effect after the donor’s death for transplantation, therapy, research, or education purposes.

EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon passage

COMMITTEE ACTION

Public Health Committee

Joint Favorable Substitute

Yea 24 Nay 12 (03/10/2023)