



General Assembly

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Proposed Bill No. 5486

LCO No. 1881



Referred to Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH

Introduced by:

REP. FISHBEIN, 90th Dist.

REP. ANDERSON, 62nd Dist.

REP. CHEESEMAN, 37th Dist.

AN ACT CONCERNING THE CAUSE OF DEATH OF TERMINALLY ILL PERSONS WHO SELF-ADMINISTER A LETHAL DOSE OF MEDICATION.

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

- 1 That the general statutes be amended to require, upon legalization of
- 2 any provision allowing the prescribing of medication to a terminally ill
- 3 patient that the patient may self-administer to bring about death, a
- 4 medical certifier completing cause of death on a death certificate, who
- 5 knows that a lethal drug, overdose or other means of assisting suicide
- 6 caused or contributed to the death, shall list such means among the
- 7 chain of events under cause of death, and, if such means is in the chain
- 8 of events, the certifier shall indicate "suicide" as the manner of death.

Statement of Purpose:

To provide notice to the next of kin that a member of the family passed away due to assisted suicide.