



General Assembly

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Proposed Bill No. 256

LCO No. 696



Referred to Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH

Introduced by:
SEN. HARDING, 30th Dist.

**AN ACT REVISING THE CERTIFICATE OF NEED PROCESS FOR
LABOR AND DELIVERY AND INTENSIVE CARE UNITS.**

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

- 1 That title 19a of the general statutes be amended to revise the
- 2 certificate of need process to enhance the scrutiny surrounding the
- 3 proposed closure of a labor and delivery or intensive care unit,
- 4 including, but not limited to, a requirement that a closure of such a unit
- 5 be permitted only when another such unit exists within twenty-five
- 6 miles of the labor and delivery or intensive care unit that is the subject
- 7 of the certificate of need application.

Statement of Purpose:

To protect residents from living in a health care desert.