



General Assembly

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***Raised Bill No. 5185***

LCO No. 1427



Referred to Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH

Introduced by:  
(PH)

***AN ACT CONCERNING TITLE PROTECTION FOR NURSES.***

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

1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2020*) (a) No person shall engage in  
2 the practice of nursing or provide nursing or nursing-related services  
3 unless such person is licensed, registered or otherwise authorized under  
4 chapter 378 or 378a of the general statutes to practice nursing or provide  
5 nursing or nursing-related services.

6 (b) No person, unless licensed, registered or otherwise authorized  
7 under chapter 378 of the general statutes, shall (1) use the title "nurse"  
8 or any initials associated with such title that represents to the public that  
9 such person is licensed, registered or otherwise authorized to practice  
10 nursing, or (2) advertise services under the description of "nurse".

11 (c) Any person licensed, registered or otherwise authorized under  
12 chapter 378 or 378a of the general statutes to practice under a title that  
13 includes the word "nurse" (1) shall use the entire title associated with  
14 such person's licensure or authorization, and (2) may not abbreviate the  
15 title to "nurse".

16 (d) Nothing in this section shall be construed to prohibit or limit the  
17 following:

18 (1) The performance by any person of any act which such person is  
19 licensed or otherwise authorized to perform under the general statutes;

20 (2) The clinical practice of nursing by any student enrolled in a  
21 nursing program approved by the State Board of Examiners for Nursing  
22 under section 20-93 of the general statutes; or

23 (3) The practice of nursing by any person who holds a temporary  
24 permit under section 20-94 of the general statutes.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	July 1, 2020	New section

**Statement of Purpose:**  
To require title protection for nurses.

*[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.]*