



General Assembly

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Raised Bill No. 5277

LCO No. 1851



Referred to Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH

Introduced by:
(PH)

AN ACT CONCERNING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF TECHNICAL STANDARDS FOR MEDICAL DIAGNOSTIC EQUIPMENT THAT PROMOTE ACCESSIBILITY IN HEALTH CARE FACILITIES.

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

1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective from passage*) (a) As used in this section: (1)
2 "Health care facility" means a hospital or an outpatient clinic, as such
3 terms are defined in section 19a-490 of the general statutes, a long-term
4 care facility, as defined in section 17a-405 of the general statutes, and a
5 hospice facility, licensed pursuant to section 19a-122b of the general
6 statutes; and (2) "medical diagnostic equipment" means (A) an
7 examination table, (B) an examination chair, (C) a weight scale, (D)
8 mammography equipment, and (E) x-ray, imaging and other
9 radiological diagnostic equipment.

10 (b) The Commissioner of Public Health shall adopt regulations, in
11 accordance with the provisions of chapter 54 of the general statutes, to
12 establish technical standards for medical diagnostic equipment
13 purchased by any health care facility on or after January 1, 2023, that
14 meet or exceed the technical standards for accessibility developed by the

15 federal Architectural and Transportation Barriers Compliance Board in
16 accordance with Section 4203 of the Patient Protection and Affordable
17 Care Act, P.L. 111-148, as amended from time to time.

18 (c) Not later than October 1, 2023, the Commissioner of Public Health
19 shall notify each physician licensed pursuant to chapter 370 of the
20 general statutes of the technical standards for accessibility developed by
21 the federal Architectural and Transportation Barriers Compliance Board
22 in accordance with Section 4203 of the Patient Protection and Affordable
23 Care Act, P.L. 111-148, as amended from time to time, for medical
24 diagnostic equipment. The commissioner shall also provide information
25 to each physician describing the best practices for the safe provision of
26 health care to individuals with accessibility needs.

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

PH *Joint Favorable*