



General Assembly

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***Raised Bill No. 5194***

LCO No. 1440



Referred to Committee on AGING

Introduced by:  
(AGE)

***AN ACT CONCERNING REGISTRATION OF TEMPORARY NURSING SERVICES AGENCIES.***

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 nursing home facility as those  
3 terms are defined in section 19a-490 of the general statutes, (2) "fixed-  
4 term nursing services" means services provided under contract for not  
5 less than ninety consecutive days exclusively to a health care facility by  
6 nursing personnel (A) whose permanent residence is at least two  
7 hundred miles from the health care facility, and (B) who establish a  
8 temporary residence and incur expenses for temporary  
9 accommodations paid for by a temporary nursing services agency, (3)  
10 "nursing personnel" means an advanced practice registered nurse, a  
11 licensed practical nurse, or a registered nurse licensed or issued a  
12 temporary permit to practice pursuant to chapter 378 of the general  
13 statutes or a nurse's aide registered pursuant to chapter 378a of the  
14 general statutes, (4) "temporary nursing services" means services  
15 provided to a health care facility on a per diem or other temporary basis  
16 but does not include fixed-term nursing services, and (5) "temporary  
17 nursing services agency" means any person, firm, corporation,

18 partnership or association that is engaged for hire in the business of  
19 procuring or providing temporary nursing services to a health care  
20 facility.

21 (b) Not later than October 1, 2022, the Commissioner of Public Health  
22 shall develop a system that allows a temporary nursing services agency  
23 that provides services in the state to register annually with the  
24 Department of Public Health. The commissioner may assess an annual  
25 registration fee of not more than seven hundred fifty dollars.

26 (c) Not later than January 1, 2023, no temporary nursing services  
27 agency shall provide temporary nursing services in the state unless it is  
28 registered pursuant to subsection (b) of this section.

29 (d) The Commissioner of Public Health shall adopt regulations, in  
30 accordance with chapter 54 of the general statutes, to establish  
31 requirements for a temporary nursing services agency, including, but  
32 not limited to: (1) Minimum qualifications for nursing personnel  
33 provided by such agency, and (2) annual reporting by the agency to the  
34 Department of Public Health on (A) average daily fees charged by the  
35 agency to a health care facility by type of nursing personnel, and (B)  
36 percentage of fees retained by the agency after salaries are paid to  
37 nursing personnel.

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

To require that agencies providing temporary nursing services register with the Department of Public Health.

*[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.]*