



General Assembly

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Proposed Bill No. 161

LCO No. 1647



Referred to Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH

Introduced by:
SEN. ANWAR, 3rd Dist.

AN ACT REPEALING THE REQUIREMENT THAT THE PROBATE COURT ISSUE AN ORDER ALLOWING A PATIENT TO RECEIVE SHOCK THERAPY WHEN A PATIENT IS INCAPABLE OF GIVING INFORMED CONSENT.

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

- 1 That section 17a-543 of the general statutes be amended to allow a
- 2 patient to receive shock therapy without an order of the Probate Court
- 3 when a patient is incapable of giving informed consent if the shock
- 4 therapy is medically recommended.

Statement of Purpose:

To eliminate the requirement that the Probate Court issue an order for a patient to receive shock therapy when the patient is incapable of giving informed consent if the shock therapy is medically recommended.