



General Assembly

February Session, 2024

**Raised Bill No. 275**

LCO No. 2216



Referred to Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH

Introduced by:  
(PH)

**AN ACT PROHIBITING NURSING HOMES FROM REJECTING A PATIENT SOLELY ON THE BASIS THAT SUCH PATIENT RECEIVED MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES.**

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

1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2024*) (a) As used in this section:  
2 (1) "Nursing home" has the same meaning as provided in section 19a-  
3 490 of the general statutes; and (2) "mental health services" means  
4 counseling, therapy, rehabilitation, crisis intervention, emergency  
5 services or psychiatric medication for the screening, diagnosis or  
6 treatment of mental illness.

7 (b) A nursing home shall not discriminate against a person who  
8 applies for admission to such nursing home solely on the basis that such  
9 person has, at any time, received mental health services.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

Section 1	<i>October 1, 2024</i>	New section
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**PH** Joint Favorable