

TESTIMONY OF CONNECTICUT HOSPITAL ASSOCIATION SUBMITTED TO THE PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE Wednesday, March 20, 2013

HB 6644, An Act Concerning Various Revisions To The Public Health Statutes

The Connecticut Hospital Association (CHA) appreciates the opportunity to submit testimony concerning **HB 6644**, **An Act Concerning Various Revisions To The Public Health Statutes**. CHA has concerns with Section 43 of the bill.

Section 43 of the bill includes additional reporting requirements for the state's Tumor Registry system. CHA supports the concept of including additional appropriate data if the data are meant to make cancer and tumor surveillance more successful. However, since the language of Section 43 became available, we have been made aware of various potential data collection and submission issues that might result if Section 43 were implemented as written. We have been discussing these issues with DPH in order to ensure that the system changes are successful and are confident we will be able to address our concerns in the coming weeks.

Thank you for your consideration of our position.

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