

TESTIMONY OF CONNECTICUT HOSPITAL ASSOCIATION SUBMITTED TO THE GENERAL LAW COMMITTEE Thursday, March 6, 2008

HB 5772, An Act Concerning Controlled Substance Registrations

The Connecticut Hospital Association (CHA) appreciates the opportunity to submit testimony concerning **HB 5772, An Act Concerning Controlled Substance Registrations**. CHA opposes this bill.

HB 5772 adds a definition for "doctor in training" where it is used throughout chapter 420c of the general statutes. However, "doctor in training" is not currently used in **any** chapter of the general statutes. The additional definition seems unnecessary, and likely to cause confusion.

To the extent that an additional definition or clarity is required relating to residents or fellow physicians, CHA is happy to work with the Committee, the Department of Consumer Protection, and the Department of Public Health to ensure that appropriate safety and administrative issues are addressed without any disruption of patient care.

The current text of HB 5772 does not appear to achieve these goals.

Thank you for your consideration of our position.

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