

General Assembly

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Raised Bill No. 7080

LCO No. **5217**

Referred to Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH

Introduced by: (PH)

AN ACT CONCERNING NEUROMODULATION TREATMENTS FOR VETERANS AT THE UNIVERSITY OF CONNECTICUT HEALTH CENTER.

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

Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective from passage*) (a) As used in this section, (1) "veteran" has the same meaning as provided in section 27-103 of the general statutes, (2) "neuromodulation" means the alteration of nerve activity through targeted delivery of a stimulus, including, but not limited to, electrical stimulation or chemical agents, to specific neurological sites in the body, and (3) "hospital" has the same meaning as provided in section 19a-490 of the general statutes.

8 (b) The University of Connecticut Health Center shall establish a 9 Center of Excellence for Neuromodulation Treatments for Veterans. The 10 health center may collaborate with a hospital in the state to provide 11 neuromodulation treatments to veterans at the Center of Excellence for 12 Neuromodulation Treatments for Veterans.

13 Sec. 2. (*Effective from passage*) The sum of two million dollars is 14 appropriated to The University of Connecticut Health Center from the 15 General Fund, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026, for the 16 establishment of a Center of Excellence for Neuromodulation 17 Treatments for Veterans at the health center and the provision of 18 neuromodulation treatments to veterans pursuant to section 1 of this 19 act.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	from passage	New section
Sec. 2	from passage	New section

Statement of Purpose:

To establish and fund a program to provide neuromodulation treatments for veterans at The University of Connecticut Health Center.

[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.]