

General Assembly

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Raised Bill No. 1380

LCO No. **5179**

Referred to Committee on JUDICIARY

Introduced by: (JUD)

AN ACT PROHIBITING DISCRIMINATION BY HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS IN THE PROVISION OF HEALTH CARE SERVICES IN THE STATE.

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

1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2025*) It shall be a discriminatory 2 practice in violation of this section for any health care provider to 3 discriminate in the provision of health care services on account of a 4 person's race, color, religious creed, sex, gender identity or expression, 5 sexual orientation, marital status, age, national origin, ancestry, 6 intellectual disability, mental disability, learning disability, physical 7 disability, including, but not limited to, blindness, status as a veteran or 8 status as a victim of domestic violence. As used in this section, "health 9 care provider" means any person, corporation, facility or institution 10 licensed by this state to provide health care services, or an officer, 11 employee or agent thereof acting in the course and scope of such 12 person's employment. Nothing in this section shall be construed to 13 require the delivery of futile health care, affect the professional standard 14 of care or interfere with public health planning.

Sec. 2. Subdivision (8) of section 46a-51 of the general statutes is
repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October*1, 2025):

18 (8) "Discriminatory practice" means a violation of section 4a-60, 4a-19 60a, 4a-60g, 19a-498c, 31-40y, subsection (b), (d), (e) or (f) of section 31-20 51i, subparagraph (C) of subdivision (15) of section 46a-54, subdivisions 21 (16) and (17) of section 46a-54, section 46a-58, 46a-59, 46a-60, 46a-64, 46a-22 64c, 46a-66 or 46a-68, sections 46a-68c to 46a-68f, inclusive, sections 46a-23 70 to 46a-78, inclusive, subsection (a) of section 46a-80, sections 46a-81b 24 to 46a-81o, inclusive, sections 46a-80b to 46a-80e, inclusive, sections 46a-25 80k to 46a-80m, inclusive, or section [19a-498c] 1 of this act;

Sec. 3. Subsection (f) of section 46a-82 of the general statutes is
repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October*1, 2025):

29 (f) (1) Any complaint filed pursuant to this section for an alleged act 30 of discrimination that occurred prior to October 1, 2021, shall be filed within one hundred and eighty days after the date of the alleged act of 31 32 discrimination, except that any complaint by a person (A) claiming to 33 be aggrieved by a violation of subsection (a) of section 46a-80 that 34 occurred before October 1, 2019, shall be filed within thirty days of the 35 date of the alleged act of discrimination, and (B) claiming to be 36 aggrieved by a violation of section 46a-60, sections 46a-70 to 46a-78, 37 inclusive, or section 46a-80 or 46a-81c, that occurred on or after October 38 1, 2019, and prior to October 1, 2021, shall be filed not later than three 39 hundred days after the date of the alleged act of discrimination.

(2) Any complaint filed pursuant to this section for an alleged act of
discrimination that occurred on or after October 1, 2021, shall be filed
[within] not later than three hundred days after the date of the alleged
act of discrimination, except that any complaint by a person claiming to
be aggrieved by a violation of section 1 of this act shall be filed not later
than three years after the date of the alleged act of discrimination.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>October 1, 2025</i>	New section
Sec. 2	<i>October 1, 2025</i>	46a-51(8)
Sec. 3	October 1, 2025	46a-82(f)

Statement of Purpose:

To prohibit health care providers from discriminating against persons in the provision of health care services in the state.

[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.]