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To: Subst. House Bill No. 7200

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"AN ACT CONCERNING BLEEDING CONTROL TRAINING AND KITS."

1 Strike everything after the enacting clause and substitute the
2 following in lieu thereof:

3 "Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2025*) (a) The Department of
4 Emergency Services and Public Protection shall administer a bleeding
5 control trainer qualification program in each district department of
6 health formed pursuant to section 19a-241 of the general statutes. The
7 trainer qualification program shall (1) utilize a training model
8 developed by the Committee on Trauma of the American College of
9 Surgeons, as amended from time to time, and (2) provide qualification
10 in bleeding control training to allow participants who successfully
11 complete such program to provide bleeding control training to other
12 individuals. Such trainer qualification program shall be offered not later
13 than July 1, 2026, and may be offered thereafter if such training model

14 is updated.

15 (b) The director of health for each district department of health shall
16 determine the eligibility criteria for participation in the bleeding control
17 trainer qualification program. Participants shall be members of the
18 following groups within such district: (1) Employees of such health
19 department, (2) employees of youth service bureaus, (3) school
20 employees, as defined in section 10-221o of the general statutes, (4)
21 employees and volunteers of youth-serving organizations, (5)
22 employees and volunteers of operators of youth athletic activities, as
23 defined in section 21a-432 of the general statutes, (6) employees of
24 municipal social service agencies, (7) members of paid municipal or
25 volunteer fire departments, (8) members of local police departments, (9)
26 any other municipal employees, and (10) members of local and regional
27 boards of education. The trainer qualification program may be included
28 as part of an in-service training program for school employees provided
29 pursuant to section 10-220a of the general statutes.

30 (c) Any individual who is currently qualified as a bleeding control
31 trainer through the trainer qualification program administered
32 pursuant to subsection (a) of this section may provide bleeding control
33 training to any member of the public.

34 (d) Not less than one employee of each district department of health
35 shall be qualified as a bleeding control trainer through the trainer
36 qualification program administered pursuant to subsection (a) of this
37 section.

38 (e) The Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection may
39 contract with a nongovernmental entity that specializes in bleeding
40 control to carry out the provisions of this section.

41 (f) No fee shall be charged to any individual or member of the public
42 for participating in (1) the trainer qualification program administered
43 pursuant to subsection (a) of this section, or (2) a bleeding control
44 training provided pursuant to subsection (c) of this section.

45 Sec. 2. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2025*) (a) As used in this section, "basic
46 training", "review training" and "probationary candidate" have the same
47 meanings as provided in section 7-294a of the general statutes.

48 (b) A police officer or probationary candidate who receives training
49 in bleeding control from an individual who is qualified as a bleeding
50 control trainer through the trainer qualification program administered
51 pursuant to subsection (a) of section 1 of this act shall be given credit for
52 such training toward the basic or review training required by subsection
53 (a) of section 7-294d of the general statutes.

54 Sec. 3. Section 7-323l of the general statutes, as amended by section 3
55 of public act 24-136, is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu
56 thereof (*Effective July 1, 2025*):

57 (a) The commission shall:

58 (1) Recommend minimum standards of education and physical
59 condition for candidates for any firefighter position;

60 (2) Establish standards for fire service training and education
61 programs, and develop and conduct an examination program to certify
62 those fire service personnel who satisfactorily demonstrate their ability
63 to meet the requirements of the fire service training and education
64 program standards;

65 (3) Establish an optional fire service training and education program
66 in the handling of incidents, such as wandering, that involve juveniles
67 and adults with autism spectrum disorder, cognitive impairment or
68 nonverbal learning disorder, provided the curriculum for such
69 techniques is made available at no cost from (A) institutions of higher
70 education, health care professionals or advocacy organizations that are
71 concerned with juveniles and adults with autism spectrum disorder,
72 cognitive impairment or nonverbal learning disorder, or (B)
73 collaborations of such institutions, professionals or organizations;

74 (4) Conduct fire fighting training and education programs designed

75 to assist firefighters in developing and maintaining their skills and
76 keeping abreast of technological advances in fire suppression, fire
77 protection, fire prevention and related fields;

78 (5) Recommend standards for promotion to the various ranks of fire
79 departments;

80 (6) Be authorized, with the approval of the Commissioner of
81 Emergency Services and Public Protection, to apply for, receive and
82 distribute any state, federal or private funds or contributions available
83 for training and education of fire fighting personnel;

84 (7) Recommend that the Commissioner of Emergency Services and
85 Public Protection approve or reject the establishment of, or, when
86 appropriate, suspend or revoke the approval of, regional fire schools in
87 accordance with section 7-323u;

88 (8) Advise the Division of Fire Services Administration within the
89 Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection on the
90 management of the Statewide Fire Service Disaster Response Plan;

91 (9) Implement the recommendations of the study of the fire service
92 authorized pursuant to subdivision (36) of subsection (b) of section 41
93 of public act 23-204; and

94 (10) Submit to the Governor, the joint standing committee of the
95 General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to public safety
96 and security, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a, and the
97 Commissioner of Emergency Services and Public Protection an annual
98 report (A) relating to the activities, recommendations and
99 accomplishments of the commission, and (B) making recommendations
100 on the funding necessary for the operation of, the maintenance of and
101 capital improvements to the state fire school and regional fire schools.

102 (b) A firefighter who receives training in bleeding control from an
103 individual who is qualified as a bleeding control trainer through the
104 trainer qualification program administered pursuant to subsection (a) of

105 section 1 of this act shall be given credit for such training toward
106 meeting the requirements of the fire service training and education
107 program standards established pursuant to subdivision (2) of
108 subsection (a) of this section.

109 [(b)] (c) The commission may recommend, and the Commissioner of
110 Emergency Services and Public Protection may adopt, regulations in
111 accordance with the provisions of chapter 54 as necessary to implement
112 the provisions of this section.

113 Sec. 4. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2025*) (a) As used in this section,
114 "bleeding control kit" means a set of materials used to provide first aid
115 to a person suffering from serious bleeding or a bleeding emergency,
116 which includes, but need not be limited to, tourniquets, compression
117 bandages, bleeding control bandages, emergency blankets, latex-free
118 gloves, markers, scissors and instructional documents developed by the
119 American College of Surgeons, the United States Department of Defense
120 or a similar organization or agency that detail methods to prevent blood
121 loss following a traumatic event.

122 (b) On and after July 1, 2026, the Commissioner of Administrative
123 Services shall ensure that not less than one bleeding control kit is
124 installed in each building owned by the state or any political subdivision
125 thereof. Each such bleeding control kit shall be centrally located, clearly
126 visible and easily accessible, and may be placed in a cabinet or case that
127 stores an automatic external defibrillator. Any cabinet or case containing
128 a bleeding control kit shall be clearly marked as containing such kit.

129 (c) The commissioner may accept donations of bleeding control kits
130 and may utilize such kits to carry out the provisions of subsection (b) of
131 this section.

132 Sec. 5. (NEW) (*Effective from passage*) (a) As used in this section,
133 "bleeding control kit" has the same meaning as provided in section 4 of
134 this act.

135 (b) The State Building Inspector and the Codes and Standards

136 Committee shall jointly, with the approval of the Commissioner of
 137 Administrative Services and in accordance with the provisions of
 138 section 29-252b of the general statutes, include in the amendments to the
 139 State Building Code next adopted after the effective date of this section
 140 provisions that:

141 (1) Require each newly constructed or substantially renovated public
 142 building, as defined in section 1-1 of the general statutes, or place of
 143 public accommodation, resort or amusement, as defined in section 46a-
 144 63 of the general statutes, to be equipped with not less than one bleeding
 145 control kit;

146 (2) Require each such bleeding control kit to be centrally located,
 147 clearly visible and easily accessible;

148 (3) Allow each such bleeding control kit to be placed in a cabinet or
 149 case that stores an automatic external defibrillator; and

150 (4) Require any cabinet or case containing a bleeding control kit to be
 151 clearly marked as containing such kit."

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

Section 1	<i>July 1, 2025</i>	New section
Sec. 2	<i>July 1, 2025</i>	New section
Sec. 3	<i>July 1, 2025</i>	7-323l
Sec. 4	<i>July 1, 2025</i>	New section
Sec. 5	<i>from passage</i>	New section