



General Assembly

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Proposed Bill No. 5895

LCO No. 2189



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Referred to Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH

Introduced by:
REP. HALL, 59th Dist.

AN ACT ALLOWING A POLICE OFFICER TO TAKE CERTAIN PERSONS INTO CUSTODY FOR AN EMERGENCY EXAMINATION.

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

- 1 That section 17a-503 of the general statutes be amended to permit a
- 2 police officer to take any person such officer has reasonable cause to
- 3 believe suffered from an overdose of an opioid drug that necessitates
- 4 emergency medical intervention, including, but not limited to, through
- 5 the successful administration of an opioid antagonist to such person,
- 6 into custody or to take or cause such person to be taken to a general
- 7 hospital for emergency examination, provided such person is not held
- 8 for more than seventy-two hours unless committed under an
- 9 emergency certificate.

Statement of Purpose:

To allow a police officer to take a person into custody when the officer has reasonable cause to believe such person suffered from an opioid drug overdose that necessitates emergency medical intervention.