

TESTIMONY OF CONNECTICUT HOSPITAL ASSOCIATION SUBMITTED TO THE PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE Wednesday, March 7, 2012

SB 187, An Act Concerning The Electronic Death Registration System

The Connecticut Hospital Association (CHA) appreciates this opportunity to submit testimony concerning **SB 187**, **An Act Concerning The Electronic Death Registration System**.

SB 187 requires persons authorized to complete the medical certification portion of a death certificate to complete and submit such certification through the Department of Public Health's (DPH) Electronic Death Registration System. CHA supports this initiative.

CHA respectfully requests that as DPH and the legislature move forward with statewide implementation of the Electronic Death Registration System, efforts are made to successfully resolve technical issues identified during the pilot process.

Specifically, DPH needs to design the Electronic Death Registration System to allow physicians to reset their own passwords, and to provide technical support during non-regular business hours.

As you consider this bill, CHA would welcome the opportunity to work with DPH and the Public Health Committee to address the two technical issues above.

Thank you for your consideration of our position. For additional information, contact CHA Government Relations at (203) 294-7310.