



**TESTIMONY OF
CONNECTICUT HOSPITAL ASSOCIATION
SUBMITTED TO THE
PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE
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SB 933, An Act Clarifying Licensing Requirements For Outpatient Surgical Facilities

The Connecticut Hospital Association submits this testimony in support of **SB 933, An Act Clarifying Licensing Requirements For Outpatient Surgical Facilities**. SB 933 clarifies the applicability of certain requirements in Public Act 04-249 to outpatient surgical facilities that were in operation on or before July 1, 2003 or that had obtained, on or before July 1, 2003, a determination from the Office of Health Care Access that a certificate of need was not required. As CHA understands the clarification to be necessary to make section 19a-493b consistent with the legislative purpose and intent of Public Act 04-249, CHA supports SB 933.

Thank you for your consideration of our position.

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