



**TESTIMONY OF  
CONNECTICUT HOSPITAL ASSOCIATION  
SUBMITTED TO THE  
PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE  
Monday, March 10, 2008**

**SB 622, An Act Concerning Certificates Of Need Issued By The Office Of  
Healthcare Access**

The Connecticut Hospital Association (CHA) appreciates this opportunity to present testimony concerning **SB 622, An Act Concerning Certificates Of Need Issued By The Office Of Healthcare Access.**

SB 622 exempts from certificate of need (CON) review capital expenditures, parking lots and garages, information and communications systems, physician and administrative office space, acquisition of land for nonclinical purposes, and acquisition and replacement of nonmedical equipment, including, but not limited to, boilers, chillers, heating ventilation and air conditioning systems, as long as the healthcare facility submits information to the Office regarding the type of capital expenditure, the reason for the capital expenditure, the total cost of the project and any other information which the Office deems necessary; and the total capital expenditure does not exceed twenty million dollars.

CHA supports SB 622 as it streamlines the CON process for expenditures for capital projects and improvements needed by every hospital.

Thank you for your consideration of our position.

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