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## Special Act No. 21-2

## AN ACT CONCERNING PUBLIC HEALTH AND CIVIL PREPAREDNESS EMERGENCIES DECLARED AND RENEWED BY THE GOVERNOR.

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

Section 1. (*Effective from passage*) (a) The public health and civil preparedness emergencies declared by the Honorable Governor Ned Lamont on March 10, 2020, and declared and renewed by him on September 1, 2020, and January 26, 2021, in response to the COVID-19 pandemic, and in accordance with the provisions of sections 19a-131a and 28-9 of the general statutes, are hereby ratified. As used in this subsection, "COVID-19" means the respiratory disease designated by the World Health Organization on February 11, 2020, as coronavirus 2019, and any related mutation thereof recognized by said organization as a communicable respiratory disease.

(b) Notwithstanding the provisions of sections 19a-131a and 28-9 of the general statutes, from the effective date of this section and until May 20, 2021, the Governor is hereby authorized to renew said public health and civil preparedness emergency declarations through May 20, 2021. The provisions of this subsection shall not limit the Governor, or any department head, state agency or municipality from exercising any authority granted under said sections of the general statutes, from the

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effective date of this section through May 20, 2021, provided the exercise of such authority is done in accordance with said sections of the general statutes. After May 20, 2021, nothing herein shall affect or limit any authority conveyed pursuant to section 19a-131a or 28-9 of the general statutes.

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