



General Assembly

February Session, 2026

Proposed Bill No. 213

LCO No. 41



Referred to Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH

Introduced by:
SEN. ANWAR, 3rd Dist.

AN ACT CONCERNING FUNDING FOR THE 9-8-8 SUICIDE PREVENTION AND MENTAL HEALTH CRISIS LIFELINE AND THE 2-1-1 INFOLINE PROGRAM.

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

- 1 That the general statutes be amended to require the imposition of a
- 2 surcharge of twenty-five cents on the monthly fee paid by residents of
- 3 the state for telecommunication services and cellular mobile telephone
- 4 services provided in the state that are capable of accessing the 9-8-8
- 5 Suicide Prevention and Mental Health Crisis Lifeline for (1) deposit into
- 6 the 9-8-8 Suicide Prevention and Mental Health Crisis Lifeline Fund
- 7 established pursuant to section 17a-674a of the general statutes, and (2)
- 8 administration of the 2-1-1 Infoline program in the state operated by the
- 9 United Way of Connecticut.

Statement of Purpose:

To require dedicated funding for the 9-8-8 Suicide Prevention and Mental Health Crisis Lifeline and the 2-1-1 Infoline program.