

# A NEW TAX ON COSMETIC MEDICAL PROCEDURES?

**HB 6652 that is now pending in the Connecticut General Assembly would require doctors to add a 6% sales tax for so-called “cosmetic” medical procedures.**

**The proposed tax unfairly increases the cost of medical procedures that are especially utilized by women.** Proponents call it a “vanity” tax on the rich, but the tax would be applied to everyone—regardless of their income or ability to pay. In fact, the vast majority of patients receiving cosmetic surgery are working women.

The bill’s supporters claim the tax only applies to procedures that are not medically necessary or important.

Whose standards are they using?

What is cosmetic?

What is necessary?

Who decides?

Some of these surgeries bring incredible benefit to patients’ physiological and psychological health. Isn’t that important?

**NOT ACCORDING TO THIS NEW BILL!**

**We need your help today to make legislators understand why this proposal hurts patients.**

**Call the Governor and your state legislators. Tell them not to unfairly target women who seek these treatments. Urge them to defeat the proposed tax on so-called “cosmetic” procedures.**

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