

HOUSE No. 1792

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Patricia A. Haddad

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts in General Court assembled:

The undersigned legislators and/or citizens respectfully petition for the adoption of the accompanying bill:

An Act relative to creating a difficult to manage unit within the Department of Mental Health.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
<i>Patricia A. Haddad</i>	<i>5th Bristol</i>
<i>Alan Silvia</i>	<i>7th Bristol</i>
<i>Claire D. Cronin</i>	<i>11th Plymouth</i>
<i>John J. Lawn, Jr.</i>	<i>10th Middlesex</i>
<i>Tackey Chan</i>	<i>2nd Norfolk</i>
<i>Gailanne M. Cariddi</i>	<i>1st Berkshire</i>
<i>James J. Dwyer</i>	<i>30th Middlesex</i>
<i>James J. O'Day</i>	<i>14th Worcester</i>
<i>Michael D. Brady</i>	<i>Second Plymouth and Bristol</i>
<i>Barbara A. L'Italien</i>	<i>Second Essex and Middlesex</i>
<i>Mary S. Keefe</i>	<i>15th Worcester</i>
<i>Sean Garballey</i>	<i>23rd Middlesex</i>
<i>Marcos A. Devers</i>	<i>16th Essex</i>
<i>Shaunna L. O'Connell</i>	<i>3rd Bristol</i>
<i>Chris Walsh</i>	<i>6th Middlesex</i>
<i>Marc R. Pacheco</i>	<i>First Plymouth and Bristol</i>
<i>Paul Brodeur</i>	<i>32nd Middlesex</i>
<i>Carole A. Fiola</i>	<i>6th Bristol</i>

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By Mrs. Haddad of Somerset, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1792) of Patricia A. Haddad and others relative to creating a difficult-to-manage unit within the Department of Mental Health. Mental Health and Substance Abuse.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE HOUSE, NO. 1788 OF 2013-2014.]

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**In the One Hundred and Eighty-Ninth General Court
(2015-2016)**

An Act relative to creating a difficult to manage unit within the Department of Mental Health.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1 Chapter 19 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2010 Official Edition, is hereby
2 amended by adding the following section: -

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4 Section 25. There shall be, within the department of mental health, a specific difficult to
5 manage unit, so called, for men and a specific difficult to manage unit, so called, for women.
6 Units within the department shall be clearly designated as such. Units shall address and consider
7 issues relative to the difficult manage, so called, populations within the department.