

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 1788**

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**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:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Patricia A. Haddad</i>	<i>5th Bristol</i>	<i>1/18/2013</i>
<i>Sarah K. Peake</i>	<i>4th Barnstable</i>	
<i>Denise C. Garlick</i>	<i>13th Norfolk</i>	

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By Mrs. Haddad of Somerset, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1788) of Patricia A. Haddad, Sarah K. Peake and Denise C. Garlick relative to creating a difficult-to-manage unit within the Department of Mental Health. Mental Health and Substance Abuse.

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**In the Year Two Thousand Thirteen**

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.