

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 3047**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

***Diana DiZoglio***

*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 voluntary civil commitment for alcohol and substance abuse treatment.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Diana DiZoglio</i>	<i>14th Essex</i>	<i>1/20/2017</i>
<i>Robert M. Koczera</i>	<i>11th Bristol</i>	
<i>James B. Eldridge</i>	<i>Middlesex and Worcester</i>	
<i>Chris Walsh</i>	<i>6th Middlesex</i>	
<i>Keiko M. Orrall</i>	<i>12th Bristol</i>	
<i>Thomas A. Golden, Jr.</i>	<i>16th Middlesex</i>	
<i>Juana B. Matias</i>	<i>16th Essex</i>	
<i>Michael O. Moore</i>	<i>Second Worcester</i>	
<i>Barbara A. L'Italien</i>	<i>Second Essex and Middlesex</i>	
<i>Linda Dean Campbell</i>	<i>15th Essex</i>	
<i>Bruce E. Tarr</i>	<i>First Essex and Middlesex</i>	
<i>Brian Murray</i>	<i>10th Worcester</i>	<i>3/13/2017</i>
<i>Colleen M. Garry</i>	<i>36th Middlesex</i>	
<i>Brian M. Ashe</i>	<i>2nd Hampden</i>	
<i>Claire D. Cronin</i>	<i>11th Plymouth</i>	
<i>James M. Cantwell</i>	<i>4th Plymouth</i>	

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By Ms. DiZoglio of Methuen, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3047) of Diana DiZoglio and others relative to voluntary civil commitment for alcohol and substance abuse treatment. The Judiciary.

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**In the One Hundred and Ninetieth General Court  
(2017-2018)**  
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An Act relative to voluntary civil commitment for alcohol and substance abuse treatment.

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

1           The third paragraph of section 35 of chapter 123 of the General Laws, as amended by  
2 sections 2 and 3 of chapter 8 of the acts of 2016, is hereby amended by striking out the first  
3 sentence and inserting in place thereof the following sentence:- Any police officer, physician,  
4 spouse, blood relative, guardian or court official may petition in writing any district court or any  
5 division of the juvenile court department for an order of commitment of a person whom he has  
6 reason to believe has an alcohol or substance use disorder; provided, that a person with an  
7 alcohol or substance use disorder may petition in writing any district court or any division of the  
8 juvenile court department for an order of commitment of themselves.