

HOUSE No. 3047

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)**

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.