# HOUSE . . . . . . . . . . . . No. 3498

## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

#### Randy Hunt

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 improving the mental health examination process of inmates at places of detention.

#### PETITION OF:

| NAME:                     | DISTRICT/ADDRESS:            | DATE ADDED: |
|---------------------------|------------------------------|-------------|
| Randy Hunt                | 5th Barnstable               | 1/19/2017   |
| F. Jay Barrows            | 1st Bristol                  | 2/2/2017    |
| Donald R. Berthiaume, Jr. | 5th Worcester                | 2/3/2017    |
| William N. Brownsberger   | Second Suffolk and Middlesex | 2/3/2017    |
| Daniel Cahill             | 10th Essex                   | 2/2/2017    |
| Thomas J. Calter          | 12th Plymouth                | 2/2/2017    |
| Linda Dean Campbell       | 15th Essex                   | 2/3/2017    |
| James M. Cantwell         | 4th Plymouth                 | 2/1/2017    |
| Tackey Chan               | 2nd Norfolk                  | 2/1/2017    |
| William L. Crocker, Jr.   | 2nd Barnstable               | 2/1/2017    |
| Julian Cyr                | Cape and Islands             | 2/3/2017    |
| Michael S. Day            | 31st Middlesex               | 2/2/2017    |
| David F. DeCoste          | 5th Plymouth                 | 2/1/2017    |
| Diana DiZoglio            | 14th Essex                   | 2/3/2017    |
| James B. Eldridge         | Middlesex and Worcester      | 2/2/2017    |
| Kimberly N. Ferguson      | 1st Worcester                | 2/2/2017    |
| Carole A. Fiola           | 6th Bristol                  | 2/3/2017    |
| Jennifer L. Flanagan      | Worcester and Middlesex      | 2/3/2017    |

| Sean Garballey         | 23rd Middlesex | 2/3/2017 |
|------------------------|----------------|----------|
| Carmine L. Gentile     | 13th Middlesex | 2/1/2017 |
| Susan Williams Gifford | 2nd Plymouth   | 2/1/2017 |
| Thomas A. Golden, Jr.  | 16th Middlesex | 2/3/2017 |
| Sheila C. Harrington   | 1st Middlesex  | 2/1/2017 |
| Steven S. Howitt       | 4th Bristol    | 2/2/2017 |
| Mary S. Keefe          | 15th Worcester | 2/3/2017 |
| David Paul Linsky      | 5th Middlesex  | 2/2/2017 |
| Joan B. Lovely         | Second Essex   | 2/3/2017 |
| Christopher M. Markey  | 9th Bristol    | 2/2/2017 |
| Joseph D. McKenna      | 18th Worcester | 2/2/2017 |
| Mathew Muratore        | 1st Plymouth   | 2/2/2017 |
| Keiko M. Orrall        | 12th Bristol   | 2/2/2017 |
| Sarah K. Peake         | 4th Barnstable | 2/2/2017 |
| Elizabeth A. Poirier   | 14th Bristol   | 2/2/2017 |
| Denise Provost         | 27th Middlesex | 2/3/2017 |
| Angelo M. Scaccia      | 14th Suffolk   | 2/2/2017 |
| Paul A. Schmid, III    | 8th Bristol    | 2/2/2017 |
| Alan Silvia            | 7th Bristol    | 2/3/2017 |
| José F. Tosado         | 9th Hampden    | 2/1/2017 |
| Paul Tucker            | 7th Essex      | 2/3/2017 |
| Steven Ultrino         | 33rd Middlesex | 2/2/2017 |
| David T. Vieira        | 3rd Barnstable | 2/2/2017 |
| Timothy R. Whelan      | 1st Barnstable | 2/1/2017 |
| Jonathan D. Zlotnik    | 2nd Worcester  | 2/2/2017 |

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By Mr. Hunt of Sandwich, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3498) of Randy Hunt and others relative to the mental health examination process of inmates at places of detention. The Judiciary.

### The Commonwealth of Alassachusetts

In the One Hundred and Ninetieth General Court (2017-2018)

An Act improving the mental health examination process of inmates at places of detention.

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

- SECTION 1. Section 18 of chapter 123 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2014
- 2 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out, in lines 6, 7 and 8, and 18 and 19, the words
- 3 "physician or psychologist" and inserting in place thereof the following words:- physician,
- 4 psychologist, or provider who prescribes psychiatric medications under the license and
- 5 supervision of a psychiatrist.