

HOUSE No. 4450

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, February 20, 2020.

The committee on Mental Health, Substance Use and Recovery, to whom were referred the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1143) of Josh S. Cutler and Mathew J. Muratore relative to funding the Behavioral Health Workforce Development Trust Fund, the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1698) of Ruth B. Balsler and others relative to placing oversight of Bridgewater State Hospital under the Department of Mental Health, the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1702) of Gerard J. Cassidy, Kay Khan and Michael D. Brady relative administering scheduled psychotropic medications without prior written consent at nursing homes, rest homes or other long-term care facilities, the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1704) of Josh S. Cutler and Mathew J. Muratore relative to establishing a behavioral health workforce development trust fund, the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1705) of Josh S. Cutler and others relative to expanding access and safety of mental health services, the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1706) of Josh S. Cutler, Diana DiZoglio and Jack Patrick Lewis relative to establishing a board of registration of licensed mental health counselors,

the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1707) of Michael S. Day and others for legislation to promote high value and evidence-based behavioral health care, the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1708) of Vincent Lawrence Dixon and Mathew J. Muratore for legislation to improve the quality of mental health services, and rights of patients, by providing for sufficient privacy, the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1710) of Marjorie C. Decker and others for legislation to increase access to treatment for behavioral health disorders, the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1711) of Shawn Dooley, Michael J. Soter and Shaunna L. O'Connell relative to opiate-related overdose treatment, the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1715) of Thomas A. Golden, Jr., and others that insurance providers cover a minimum of 30 days for in-patient substance abuse treatment, the joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1717) of Tami L. Gouveia, Joanne M. Comerford and others relative to the public health and public safety outcomes of the use of fentanyl testing strips by individuals addicted to opioid and other substances, the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1718) of Tami L. Gouveia and others relative to the establishment of and payments into an opioid stewardship fund, the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1721) of Natalie M. Higgins and others for legislation to expand access to medically assisted treatment providers, the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1722) of Natalie M. Higgins and others for legislation relative to the safe care of residents with active substance use disorder accessing skilled nursing facility care, the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1723) of Natalie M. Higgins and others for legislation to further define medical necessity determinations, the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1725) of Bradley H. Jones, Jr., and others for an investigation by a task force (including members of the General Court) relative to the use of Medicaid expansion and the increase in overdose rates, the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1726) of Bradley H. Jones, Jr., and others relative to treatment for substance use disorder at acute-care hospitals or satellite emergency facilities, the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1727) of Bradley H. Jones, Jr., and others relative to Department of Public Health substance abuse evaluation reports, the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1735) of Elizabeth A. Malia and others relative to providing equitable access to behavioral health services for MassHealth consumers, the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1738) of Paul McMurtry, Brian M. Ashe and John J. Lawn, Jr., that the Department of Mental Health be authorized to establish a program for the treatment and support of people with mental

illness and brain-based disorders, the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1740) of Lenny Mirra and others for legislation to establish a commission (including members of the General Court) on suicide prevention and mental health crisis management, the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1741) of Mathew J. Muratore and others relative to establishing court ordered mental health assisted outpatient treatment, the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1742) of James M. Murphy, Carole A. Fiola and Bruce J. Ayers that the Bureau of Substance Abuse Services be required to notify local public safety departments upon certification of sober homes, so-called, the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1745) of James J. O'Day and Sean Garballey relative to the safe care of residents with active substance use disorder accessing skilled nursing facility care, the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1746) of James J. O'Day and others relative to establishing a rehabilitation oversight committee to review substance use in correctional facilities, the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1749) of Jon Santiago and others for legislation to establish a special commission (including members of the General Court) to study the availability of continuum of care for persons with substance use disorders, the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1750) of Angelo M. Scaccia and Shaunna L. O'Connell relative to services for persons with mental illness living with elderly family members or primary caretakers, the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1751) of Angelo M. Scaccia relative to medical care for persons in mental health facilities, the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1752) of Angelo M. Scaccia for legislation to provide services for medically ill and mentally ill persons, the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1753) of William M. Straus relative to mental health and substance abuse treatment facilities, the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1754) of Alyson M. Sullivan and others relative to the adult residential behavioral health and addiction treatment rate, and the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3722) of Kay Khan and others relative to nurses in psychiatric facilities,, report the accompanying order (House, No. 4450) [Representative Sullivan of Abington dissents].

For the committee,

MARJORIE C. DECKER.

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1 *Ordered,* That the committee on Mental Health, Substance Use and Recovery be
2 authorized to sit during a recess of the General Court to make an investigation and study of
3 House documents numbered 1143, 1698, 1702, 1704, 1705, 1706, 1707, 1708, 1710, 1711, 1715,
4 1717, 1718, 1721, 1722, 1723, 1725, 1726, 1727, 1735, 1738, 1740, 1741, 1742, 1745, 1746,
5 1749, 1750, 1751, 1752, 1753, 1754 and 3722, relative to mental health, substance use and
6 recovery.

7 Said committee shall report to the General Court the results of its investigation and study
8 and its recommendations, if any, together with drafts of legislation necessary to carry such
9 recommendations into effect, by filing the same with the Clerk of the House of Representatives
10 on or before December 31, 2020.