

**SENATE . . . . . No. 605**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

***John F. Keenan***

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*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 dual diagnosis treatment coverage.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	
<i>John F. Keenan</i>	<i>Norfolk and Plymouth</i>	
<i>David Allen Robertson</i>	<i>19th Middlesex</i>	<i>1/25/2019</i>
<i>Mathew J. Muratore</i>	<i>1st Plymouth</i>	<i>1/30/2019</i>
<i>Edward J. Kennedy</i>	<i>First Middlesex</i>	<i>1/31/2019</i>
<i>James B. Eldridge</i>	<i>Middlesex and Worcester</i>	<i>1/31/2019</i>
<i>Elizabeth A. Malia</i>	<i>11th Suffolk</i>	<i>1/31/2019</i>
<i>Jason M. Lewis</i>	<i>Fifth Middlesex</i>	<i>2/7/2019</i>

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By Mr. Keenan, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 605) of John F. Keenan, David Allen Robertson, Mathew J. Muratore, Edward J. Kennedy and other members of the General Court for legislation relative to dual diagnosis treatment coverage. Financial Services.

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-First General Court  
(2019-2020)**  
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An Act relative to dual diagnosis treatment coverage.

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

1           SECTION 1. Section 17N of chapter 32A of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2016  
2 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting after the word “planning.”, in line 10, the  
3 following: -

4           Acute treatment services shall include any medically necessary services provided to  
5 individuals who have a dual diagnosis of mental illness and substance use disorder and who are  
6 receiving treatment in a facility licensed or certified by the department of mental health or the  
7 department of public health.

8           SECTION 2. Section 10H of chapter 118E of the General Laws, as so appearing, is  
9 hereby amended by inserting after the word “planning.”, in line 26, the following: -

10           Acute treatment services shall include any medically necessary services provided to  
11 individuals who have a dual diagnosis of mental illness and substance use disorder and who are

12 receiving treatment in a facility licensed or certified by the department of mental health or the  
13 department of public health.

14 SECTION 3. Section 47GG of chapter 175 of the General Laws, as so appearing, is  
15 hereby amended by inserting after the word “planning.”, in line 10, the following: -

16 Acute treatment services shall include any medically necessary services provided to  
17 individuals who have a dual diagnosis of mental illness and substance use disorder and who are  
18 receiving treatment in a facility licensed or certified by the department of mental health or the  
19 department of public health.

20 SECTION 4. Section 8II of chapter 176A of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby  
21 amended by inserting after the word “planning.”, in line 10, the following:-

22 Acute treatment services shall include any medically necessary services provided to  
23 individuals who have a dual diagnosis of mental illness and substance use disorder and who are  
24 receiving treatment in a facility licensed or certified by the department of mental health or the  
25 department of public health.

26 SECTION 5. Section 4II of chapter 176B of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby  
27 amended by inserting after the word “planning.”, in line 10, the following: -

28 Acute treatment services shall include any medically necessary services provided to  
29 individuals who have a dual diagnosis of mental illness and substance use disorder and who are  
30 receiving treatment in a facility licensed or certified by the department of mental health or the  
31 department of public health.

32 SECTION 6. Section 4AA of chapter 176G of the General Laws, as so appearing, is  
33 hereby amended by inserting after the word “planning.”, in line 10, the following: -

34 Acute treatment services shall include any medically necessary services provided to  
35 individuals who have a dual diagnosis of mental illness and substance use disorder and who are  
36 receiving treatment in a facility licensed or certified by the department of mental health or the  
37 department of public health.