

HOUSE No. 1147

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Elizabeth A. Malia

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:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Elizabeth A. Malia</i>	<i>11th Suffolk</i>	<i>2/19/2021</i>
<i>Lindsay N. Sabadosa</i>	<i>1st Hampshire</i>	<i>2/24/2021</i>
<i>James B. Eldridge</i>	<i>Middlesex and Worcester</i>	<i>2/26/2021</i>
<i>Carlos González</i>	<i>10th Hampden</i>	<i>2/26/2021</i>
<i>Marcos A. Devers</i>	<i>16th Essex</i>	<i>3/22/2021</i>

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By Ms. Malia of Boston, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1147) of Elizabeth A. Malia and others relative to healthcare insurance coverage for dual diagnosis of mental illness and substance use disorders. Financial Services.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE HOUSE, NO. 1043 OF 2019-2020.]

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Second General Court
(2021-2022)**

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 2018
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.