

**SENATE . . . . . No. 1000**

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**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 use treatment.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

*Diana DiZoglio*

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

*First Essex*

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By Ms. DiZoglio, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1000) of Diana DiZoglio for legislation relative to voluntary civil commitment for alcohol and substance abuse treatment. The Judiciary.

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[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE SENATE, NO. 917 OF 2019-2020.]

**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Second General Court  
(2021-2022)**  
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An Act relative to voluntary civil commitment for alcohol and substance use 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           SECTION 1. The third paragraph of section 35 of chapter 123 of the General Laws, as  
2 amended by sections 2 and 3 of chapter 8 of the acts of 2016, is hereby amended by striking out  
3 the first sentence and inserting in place thereof the following sentence:- Any police officer,  
4 physician, spouse, blood relative, guardian or court official may petition in writing any district  
5 court or any division of the juvenile court department for an order of commitment of a person  
6 whom he has reason to believe has an alcohol or substance use disorder; provided, that a person  
7 with an alcohol or substance use disorder may petition in writing any district court or any  
8 division of the juvenile court department for an order of commitment of themselves.