

HOUSE No. 4897

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, July 24, 2024.

The committee on Mental Health, Substance Use and Recovery, to whom were referred the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1963) of James Arciero for legislation to promote high value and evidence-based behavioral health care; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1980) of Marjorie C. Decker and Lindsay N. Sabadosa relative to the involuntary hospitalization of individuals if no less restrictive alternatives exist to reduce the likelihood of serious harm by reason of mental illness; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2002) of Samantha Montaña, Mike Connolly and others relative to the possession of controlled substances; and the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2007) of Edward R. Philips relative to authorizing physician assistants to issue psychiatric holds and ensure adequate training on their use, reports recommending that the accompanying order (House, No. 4897) ought to be adopted.

For the committee,

ADRIAN C. MADARO.

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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 1963, 1980, 2002 and 2007, relative to mental health, controlled
4 substances and training

5 Said committee shall report to the General Court the results of its investigation and study
6 and its recommendations, if any, together with drafts of legislation necessary to carry such
7 recommendations into effect, by filing the same with the Clerk of the House of Representatives
8 on or before December 31, 2024.