

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

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

*Michael D. Brady*

*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 to provide more focused care to individuals suffering from mental health and substance related disabilities.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

*Michael D. Brady*

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

*Second Plymouth and Norfolk*

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[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE SENATE, NO. 1234 OF 2023-2024.]

**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Fourth General Court  
(2025-2026)**  
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An Act to provide more focused care to individuals suffering from mental health and substance related disabilities.

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

1 Chapter 19 of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting after section 19 the  
2 following section:-

3 Section 19A. (a) In-patient and out-patient mental health service providers in the  
4 commonwealth shall provide physically separate accommodations for patients requiring non-  
5 substance abuse treatment and patients requiring substance abuse treatment when providing  
6 services and care to such patients, to provide more focused care to each group.

7 (b) the department shall promulgate regulations to implement this section.