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**"AN ACT CONCERNING THE SUBSTANCE ABUSE REVOLVING
LOAN FUND AND A TRAUMATIC BRAIN INJURY REGISTRY."**

1 After line 41, insert the following:

2 "Sec. 3. (NEW) (a) Prior to the discharge of a person who has been
3 committed to a Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services
4 psychiatric hospital pursuant to section 17a-502 of the general statutes,
5 and who has a history of failing to comply with past treatment plans
6 which include the taking of prescribed medication and as a result
7 thereof has exhibited behavior on prior occasions that constitutes a
8 danger to himself or herself or others, a new treatment plan shall be
9 developed for such person which may include the use of engagement
10 specialists to assist and support such person in complying with the
11 treatment plan. Such treatment plan shall be in writing and agreed
12 upon by such person.

13 (b) Such treatment plan may provide for such person's next of kin,
14 close friend or any other person who has exhibited care and concern

15 for such person to act as an engagement specialist for such person. If
16 such next of kin, close friend or other person has agreed to assist and
17 support such person in complying with the treatment plan, the
18 Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services shall provide
19 training to such next of kin, close friend or other person concerning
20 their responsibilities as engagement specialists and the needs of, and
21 resources available to, persons with psychiatric disabilities."