



# House of Representatives

General Assembly

**File No. 51**

January Session, 2005

House Bill No. 6649

*House of Representatives, March 22, 2005*

The Committee on Public Health reported through REP. SAYERS of the 60th Dist., Chairperson of the Committee on the part of the House, that the bill ought to pass.

**AN ACT CONCERNING THE AUTHORITY OF THE COMMISSIONER OF MENTAL HEALTH AND ADDICTION SERVICES.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Section 17a-451 of the general statutes is amended by  
2 adding subsection (v) as follows (*Effective October 1, 2005*):

3 (NEW) (v) The commissioner may designate a deputy commissioner  
4 to sign any contract, agreement or settlement on behalf of the  
5 Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

Section 1	<i>October 1, 2005</i>	17a-451
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**PH** Joint Favorable

The following fiscal impact statement and bill analysis are prepared for the benefit of members of the General Assembly, solely for the purpose of information, summarization, and explanation, and do not represent the intent of the General Assembly or either House thereof for any purpose:

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***OFA Fiscal Note***

***State Impact:*** None

***Municipal Impact:*** None

***Explanation***

This bill allows the commissioner of the Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services to delegate the authority to sign contracts, agreements and settlements to a deputy commissioner. This change has no fiscal impact.

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**OLR Bill Analysis**

HB 6649

***AN ACT CONCERNING THE AUTHORITY OF THE COMMISSIONER  
OF MENTAL HEALTH AND ADDICTION SERVICES***

**SUMMARY:**

This bill allows the mental health and addiction services commissioner to designate a deputy commissioner to sign contracts, agreements, and settlements on the department's behalf.

EFFECTIVE DATE: October 1, 2005

**COMMITTEE ACTION**

Public Health Committee

Joint Favorable Report

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