



General Assembly

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Proposed Bill No. 5598

LCO No. 717



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Referred to Committee on JUDICIARY

Introduced by:
REP. YACCARINO, 87th Dist.

AN ACT CONCERNING PROBATE COURT AUTHORITY TO ORDER A PERSON WITH A SUBSTANCE USE DISORDER OR MENTAL DISABILITY TO SUBMIT TO AN INVOLUNTARY MEDICAL EVALUATION.

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

- 1 That chapter 801 of the general statutes be amended to provide that
- 2 a Probate Court may order a person with a substance use disorder or
- 3 mental disability to submit to a medical evaluation not to exceed a
- 4 period of seventy-two hours when (1) such person refuses to consent
- 5 to, or is incapable of consenting to, voluntary treatment, (2) such
- 6 person is incapable of residing on his or her own and presents a
- 7 danger to self or others, and (3) less restrictive treatment alternatives
- 8 are not appropriate.

Statement of Purpose:

To provide a Probate Court with the authority to order a person with a substance use disorder or mental disability to submit to an involuntary medical evaluation.