



General Assembly

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**Proposed Bill No. 5096**

LCO No. 147



Referred to Committee on JUDICIARY

Introduced by:  
REP. PISCOPO, 76th Dist.

**AN ACT CONCERNING THE AUTHORITY OF THE PROBATE COURT TO ORDER A PERSON WITH A SUBSTANCE USE DISORDER OR PSYCHIATRIC DISABILITY TO SUBMIT TO AN INVOLUNTARY MEDICAL EVALUATION AND ASSISTED OUTPATIENT MEDICAL TREATMENT.**

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

1 That chapter 801a of the general statutes be amended to provide that  
2 a Probate Court may order a person with a substance use disorder or  
3 psychiatric 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 person  
6 is incapable of residing on his or her own and presents a danger to self  
7 or others, and (3) less restrictive treatment alternatives are not  
8 appropriate. The Probate Court, based on the results of such medical  
9 evaluation, may then order such person to submit to assisted outpatient  
10 medical treatment.

**Statement of Purpose:**

To provide a Probate Court with the authority to order a person with a substance use disorder or psychiatric disability to submit to an

involuntary medical evaluation and assisted outpatient medical treatment.