

**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

**In the One Hundred and Ninety-First General Court  
(2019-2020)**

SENATE, February 5, 2020.

The committee on Mental Health, Substance Use and Recovery, to whom was referred the petitions (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 923) of Brian Coppola for legislation to establish psychiatric advance directives for mental health care; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 942) of Cindy F. Friedman for legislation to provide critical community services; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1087) of Edward J. Kennedy, Jason M. Lewis, Patrick M. O'Connor, Michael O. Moore and other members of the General Court for legislation to raise employment and combating opioids through vocational education and rehabilitation (RECOVER); (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1136) of Cynthia Stone Creem for legislation to require victims to be notified of certain hearings concerning the custodial status of individuals adjudged not guilty of a crime by reason of mental illness or after being found not competent to stand trial; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1137) of Viriato M. deMacedo, Donald F. Humason, Jr. and Michael O. Moore for legislation to enable physician assistants to authorize psychiatric and substance abuse holds; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1138) of Viriato M. deMacedo and Mathew J. Muratore for legislation to ensure proper substance abuse treatment; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1140) of Diana DiZoglio and Patrick M. O'Connor for legislation relative to substance abuse accountable care organizations; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1142) of Diana DiZoglio for legislation relative to administering scheduled psychotropic medications without prior written consent at nursing homes, rest homes or other long-term care facilities; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1155) of John F. Keenan, Patrick M. O'Connor and Maria Duaine Robinson for legislation to establish a commission to study the availability of a continuum of care for persons with substance use disorder; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1156) of Eric P. Lesser, José F. Tosado, Bud L. Williams, Andres X. Vargas and others for legislation to establish a commission to study substance use disorder and treatment disparities in the minority community; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1158) of Mark C. Montigny, Michael O. Moore, Michael J. Finn, Bruce E. Tarr and other members of the General Court for legislation relative to increasing consumer access to licensed rehabilitation counselors; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1159) of Michael O. Moore for legislation relative to pain management treatment for certain chronic pain patients; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1161) of Patrick M. O'Connor and Donald F.

Humason, Jr. for legislation to establish a special commission to study the prevention of heroin trafficking; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1165) of Bruce E. Tarr for legislation relative to protective custody; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1166) of Bruce E. Tarr for legislation relative to protective custody; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1167) of Bruce E. Tarr for legislation relative to regional navigators for substance abuse treatment; and (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1168) of Dean A. Tran and José F. Tosado for legislation to inform opioid patients about the risks of addiction, report the accompanying Order (Senate, No.2550).

For the committee,  
Julian Cyr

**SENATE . . . . . No. 2550**

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1           *Ordered*, That the committee on Mental Health, Substance Use and Recovery be  
2 authorized and directed to make an investigation and study of certain current Senate documents  
3 numbered 923, 942, 1087, 1136, 1137, 1138, 1140, 1142, 1155, 1156, 1158, 1159, 1161, 1165,  
4 1166, 1167 and 1168 relative to mental health, substance use and recovery issues.