

General Assembly

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Proposed Bill No. 6176



Referred to Committee on JUDICIARY

Introduced by: REP. KENNEDY, 119th Dist.

AN ACT CONCERNING THE AUTHORITY OF THE PROBATE COURT TO ORDER A PERSON WITH INTELLECTUAL AND DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES 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: (1) Order a person with intellectual and 3 developmental disabilities to submit to a medical evaluation, not to 4 exceed a period of seventy-two hours, when (A) such person refuses to 5 consent to, or is incapable of consenting to, voluntary treatment, (B) 6 such person is incapable of residing on his or her own and presents a 7 danger to self or others, and (C) less restrictive treatment alternatives 8 are not appropriate; and (2) based on the results of such medical 9 evaluation, order such person to submit to assisted outpatient medical 10 treatment.

Statement of Purpose:

To provide the Probate Court and conservators of the person with greater authority to order a person with intellectual and developmental disabilities to submit to an involuntary medical evaluation and assisted outpatient medical treatment.