

SENATE No. 1282

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Diana DiZoglio, (BY REQUEST)

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts in General Court assembled:

The undersigned legislators and/or citizens respectfully petition for the adoption of the accompanying bill:

An Act Resolve establishing a special commission on psychedelic drug use for clinical trials and therapy.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

Matthew Crepeau

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

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By Ms. DiZoglio (by request), a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1282) of Matthew Crepeau for legislation to establish a special commission on psychedelic drug use for clinical trials and therapy. Mental Health, Substance Use and Recovery.

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Second General Court
(2021-2022)**

An Act Resolve establishing a special commission on psychedelic drug use for clinical trials and therapy.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1 Resolved, That there shall be a special commission to evaluate and study the costs and
2 benefits attributable to the usage of psychedelic drugs, which are currently being destroyed under
3 section 47A of chapter 94C of the General Laws, for clinical trials and therapy. The special
4 commission shall: (i) review the associated benefits of the use of psychedelic drugs in clinical
5 trials; (ii) recommend appropriate regulations for such use; (iii) explore whether the use of
6 psychedelic drugs may be expanded from clinical trials to standard therapeutic use; and (iv)
7 recommend any changes to existing law regarding psychedelic drugs in the commonwealth.

8 The commission shall consist of: the house and senate chairs of the joint committee on
9 mental health, substance use and recovery, who shall serve as co-chairs; the secretary of health
10 and human services or a designee; the commissioner of public health or a designee; the director
11 of the bureau of substance addiction services or a designee; 1 member of the senate who shall be
12 appointed by the senate president; 1 member of the house of representatives who shall be

13 appointed by the speaker of the house; and the executive director of the Massachusetts
14 Organization for Addiction Recovery, Inc. or a designee. The special commission shall file its
15 recommendations, including any proposed legislation, with the clerks of the senate and house of
16 representatives not later than May 1, 2022