

Amendment to HB 208

1 Amend RSA 135-C:63-c, I(a) as inserted by section 1 of the bill by replacing it with the following:

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3 (a) There is established a commission to study mental health procedures for involuntary
4 commitment. The members of the commission shall be as follows:

5 (1) Three members of the house of representatives, appointed by the speaker of the
6 house of representatives.

7 (2) One member of the senate, appointed by the president of the senate.

8 (3) The commissioner of the department of health and human services, or designee.

9 (4) The commissioner of the department of corrections, or designee.

10 (5) The attorney general, or designee.

11 (6) The chief executive officer of the New Hampshire hospital, or designee.

12 (7) A representative of the New Hampshire Community Behavioral Health
13 Association, appointed by the association.

14 (8) A representative of the National Alliance on Mental Illness New Hampshire,
15 appointed by such agency.

16 (9) A representative of the New Hampshire Disability Rights Center, appointed by
17 the center.

18 (10) A representative of the New Hampshire Psychiatric Society, appointed by the
19 society.

20 (11) The executive director of New Futures, or designee.

21 (12) A representative of the Campaign to Change Direction New Hampshire,
22 appointed by the campaign.

23 (13) The chief justice of the superior court, or designee.

24 (14) The administrative justice of the circuit court, or designee.

25 (15) The administrative justice of the probate court, or designee.

26 (16) A public member, appointed by the governor.

27 (17) A family member of a person who was held in an emergency room awaiting
28 transfer to a designated receiving facility, appointed by the governor.

29 (18) An APRN, appointed by the New Hampshire Nurse Practitioner Association.

30 (19) A registered nurse, appointed by the New Hampshire Nursing Association.

31 (20) Two representatives of the New Hampshire Hospital Association, one of whom

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1 shall be a representative of a community hospital which operates a designated receiving facility,
2 appointed by the association.

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4 Amend RSA 135-C:63-c, III and IV as inserted by section 1 of the bill by replacing them with the
5 following:

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7 III. The members of the commission shall elect a chairperson from among the members.
8 The first meeting of the commission shall be called by the first-named house member. The first
9 meeting of the commission shall be held within 45 days of the effective date of this section. Eleven
10 members of the commission shall constitute a quorum.

11 IV. The commission shall submit an interim report of its findings and any recommendations
12 for proposed legislation to the president of the senate, the speaker of the house of representatives,
13 the senate clerk, the house clerk, the governor, the chair of the oversight committee on health and
14 human services, and the state library on or before November 1, 2017 and shall submit a final report
15 on or before November 1, 2018.