## CHAPTER 12 FORMERLY HOUSE BILL NO. 8

## AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 16 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO THE INVOLUNTARY COMMITMENT OF PERSONS WITH MENTAL CONDITIONS.

## BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE:

Section 1. Amend § 5001(1), Title 16 of the Delaware Code by making deletions as shown by strike through and insertions as shown by underline:

d. A physician with a valid State of Delaware license to practice medicine and who is credentialed by the Department to provide emergency screening services and evaluation of the need for involuntary observation and treatment for a mental condition<del>,</del>; or

e. A physician with a valid license to practice medicine who works in a United States Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Center, located in the State of Delaware, and who is credentialed by the Department to provide, for patients seen in the physician's employment by the United States Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Center, emergency screening services and evaluation of the need for involuntary observation and treatment for a mental condition.

Section 2. Amend § 5001(15), Title 16 of the Delaware Code by making deletions as shown by strike through and insertions as shown by underline as follows:

(15) "Psychiatrist" means an individual who possesses a valid State of Delaware license to practice medicine and has completed a residency training program approved by the Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education in psychiatry an accredited residency training program in psychiatry an accredited residency training program in psychiatry.

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