

An Act relating to mental health; creating the Sexually Violent Persons Act; providing short title; defining terms; providing for notice of release and referral with certain documentation; exempting certain persons from liability; establishing guidelines for evaluations; specifying who may file a petition; designating procedures; providing for continuous jurisdiction; requiring judicial determination of a sexually violent person; requiring the existence of probable cause; providing time limits and notice of hearing; designating certain rights; requiring evaluation after finding of probable cause; providing for trial; requiring proof beyond reasonable doubt; providing for commitment or release procedures; requiring annual examinations and reports; allowing certain persons to petition the court based on a change of status; providing for notice of hearing and procedures; allowing conditional release with certain restrictions; establishing certain findings prior to conditional release; establishing certain rights for committed persons; designating who may have access to treatment records and reports; authorizing revocation proceedings for noncompliance; requiring a hearing; requiring judicial determination of noncompliance; allowing certain persons to petition the court for a discharge; providing for notice of hearing and certain procedures; requiring notice of discharge to the Department of Corrections; designating the agency responsible for transportation; providing guidelines; exempting certain persons from liability; providing for codification; and providing an effective date.