



# New York State Senate Standing Committee on **Alcoholism and Substance Abuse**

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The Honorable Andrea Stewart-Cousins  
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Dear Senator Stewart-Cousins:

I am pleased to transmit the Annual Report of the Senate's Standing Committee on Alcoholism and Substance Abuse for the 2022 Legislative Session. As Chair, I am proud to continue to lead our efforts to address important matters under my committee's jurisdiction.

During the 2022 session, this committee met 4 times in session and reported 26 bills. We held a joint Opioid/Mental Health roundtable with the Chair of the Senate Standing Committee on Mental Health. As Chair, I also visited 6 Senate districts in a tour across various demographics (rural, suburban, and urban) on behalf of the Committee to meet with providers, recovery programs, and stakeholders to discuss reform needed to the addiction services and support sector.

I thank my colleagues who served on the Committee for their efforts and support of the work that was done in the committee this year, and I thank you for the continued support from the Majority Conference in the committee's operations.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Peter B. Harckham". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Pete Harckham



# **2022 LEGISLATIVE SESSION REPORT**

## **NEW YORK STATE SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON ALCOHOLISM AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE**

**Senator Peter Harckham, Chairperson**

### **COMMITTEE MEMBERS**

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### **COMMITTEE STAFF**

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## **COMMITTEE JURISDICTION AND OVERVIEW**

The New York State Senate Standing Committee on Alcoholism and Substance Abuse has legislative oversight responsibilities for issues concerning New York's addiction services and supports, as well as its oversight of substance use counselors and prevention practitioners. The committee's jurisdiction covers New York's Substance Use Disorder systems of care including prevention, treatment, and recovery.

During the 2022 Legislative Session, 44 bills were referred to the Committee for its review. Of these bills, 26 were reported from the Committee. 21 were passed by the Senate, and 10 passed in both houses. This work was conducted through a series of four committee meetings. A list of all bills that were reported from the committee is provided at the end of this report.

## COMMITTEE HIGHLIGHTS

The following key bills were acted on by the committee in 2022:

- S5084C (Harckham) - Passed Senate. This bill creates the office of addiction and mental health services by merging the office of addiction services and supports and the office of mental health to ensure individuals with substance use disorder (SUD) and mental health issues are receiving integrated care.
- S8633A (Comrie) - Awaiting action by Governor. This bill establishes the nightlife opioid antagonist program to allow certain establishments to apply and receive opioid antagonists, free of charge, to be administered to patrons, staff, or individuals on their premises.
- S7313A (Harckham) Awaiting action by Governor. This bill requires written notice to a defendant of their right to complete court ordered alcohol or substance use treatment in a nonreligious treatment program
- S2976A (Harckham) - Awaiting action by Governor. This bill provides discharged patients with opioid overdose education and opioid antagonists for take home use.
- S345 (Kaplan) - Awaiting action by Governor. This bill requires the office of addiction services and supports to develop training materials for health care providers and healthcare professionals to enable the implementations of screening, intervention, and referral to treatment for alcoholism and chemical dependency
- S409A (Biaggi) - Veto 47. This bill establishes the problem gambling advisory council
- S8057A (Harckham) - Chapter 517. Requires the office of addiction services and supports to provide outreach services to make other state and local entities aware of the independent substance use disorder and mental health ombudsman program
- S4207 (Addabbo) - Passed Senate. This bill develops a problem gambling education program that all individuals must complete prior to being removed from any self exclusion list.
- S6746A (Harckham) - Passed Senate. Requires facilities that provide opioid treatment programs to have at least one practitioner qualified to administer or prescribe buprenorphine
- S7349 (Harckham) - Awaiting action by Governor. This bill requires facilities providing chemical dependence services to be designed and constructed to provide privacy to those individuals seeking treatment while bathing, sleeping, using restrooms, and receiving individual counseling services.



## TWO HOUSE BILLS

In 2022, 10 of the 44 bills referred to the Standing Committee on Alcoholism and Substance Abuse passed both houses of the Legislature. Of these bills, the Governor has signed 4 bills, vetoed 1, and 2 bills are currently on the Governor's Desk.

<b>Bill</b>	<b>Sponsor</b>	<b>Summary</b>	<b>Action</b>
S.345	Kaplan	Requires the office of addiction services and supports to develop training materials for screening for alcoholism and chemical dependency	On the Governor's Desk
S.409-A	Biaggi	Establishes the problem gambling advisory council	Veto 47 of 2022
S.2976-A	Harckham	Relates to providing discharged patients with opioid overdose education and opioid antagonists for take home use	On the Governor's Desk
S.3374-B	Bailey	Promotes the education of the human trafficking information and referral hotline to assist persons in freeing themselves from severe acts of sex trafficking	Chapter 387 of 2022
S.7313-A	Harckham	Requires written notice to a defendant of his or her right to complete court ordered alcohol or substance use treatment in a nonreligious treatment program	On the Governor's Desk
S.7349-A	Harckham	Relates to the construction of facilities for chemical dependence services that promote the privacy of individuals	On the Governor's Desk
S.7687-B	Palumbo	Relates to licensing restrictions for manufacturers and wholesalers of alcoholic beverages on licensees who sell at retail for on-premises consumption	Chapter 328 of 2022
S.8057-A	Harckham	Provides outreach services to make certain stakeholders aware of the independent substance use disorder and mental health ombudsman program	Chapter 517 of 2022
S.8219-A	Harckham	Requires an annual report for the independent substance use disorder and mental health ombudsman program	Chapter 522 of 2022
S.8633-A	Comrie	Relates to establishing the nightlife opioid antagonist program	On the Governor's Desk

## SUMMARY OF COMMITTEE ACTIVITY

<b>Bill No.</b>	<b>Sponsor</b>	<b>Summary</b>	<b>Significant Action</b>
S.345	Kaplan	Requires the office of addiction services and supports to develop training materials for screening for alcoholism and chemical dependency	On the Governor's Desk
S.409-A	Biaggi	Establishes the problem gambling advisory council	Veto 47 of 2022
S.1416	Harcckham	Relates to certifying recovery living residences	Passed Senate Only
S.2976-A	Harcckham	Relates to providing discharged patients with opioid overdose education and opioid antagonists for take home use	On the Governor's Desk
S.3374-B	Bailey	Promotes the education of the human trafficking information and referral hotline to assist persons in freeing themselves from severe acts of sex trafficking	Chapter 387 of 2022
S.4207	Addabbo	Relates to compulsive gambling assistance	Passed Senate Only
S.5054	Parker	Relates to creating the chemical dependence treatment bill of rights to be posted in a conspicuous place in all treatment facilities	Passed Senate Only
S.5084-C	Harcckham	Establishes the office of addiction and mental health services	Passed Senate Only
S.5128-B	Harcckham	Enacts the model overdose mapping and response act	Reported from Committee
S.5566	Lanza	Relates to the distribution of educational materials regarding the misuse of and addiction to prescription drugs in counties with the most prevalent abuse of prescription opioids	Reported from Committee
S.6319-A	Harcckham	Relates to setting standards for addiction professionals	Passed Senate Only
S.6746-A	Harcckham	Relates to the availability of buprenorphine in opioid treatment programs	Passed Senate Only

S.7313-A	Harckham	Requires written notice to a defendant of his or her right to complete court ordered alcohol or substance use treatment in a nonreligious treatment program	On the Governor's Desk
S.7349-A	Harckham	Relates to the construction of facilities for chemical dependence services that promote the privacy of individuals	On the Governor's Desk
S.7351-A	Harckham	Relates to the office of addiction services and supports and tobacco-limited and tobacco-free facilities for treatment	Reported from Committee
S.7650-A	Harckham	Establishes an intensive addiction and medical services integrated services pilot program	Passed Senate Only
S.7687-B	Palumbo	Relates to licensing restrictions for manufacturers and wholesalers of alcoholic beverages on licensees who sell at retail for on-premises consumption	Chapter 328 of 2022
S.7910-A	Harckham	Relates to reimbursement for non-medical transportation for individuals with a substance use disorder to receive services from a peer	Passed Senate Only
S.8057-A	Harckham	Provides outreach services to make certain stakeholders aware of the independent substance use disorder and mental health ombudsman program	Chapter 517 of 2022
S.8219-A	Harckham	Requires an annual report for the independent substance use disorder and mental health ombudsman program	Chapter 522 of 2022
S.8244	Kennedy	Establishes an intensive addiction recovery and mental health integrated services pilot program	Passed Senate Only
S.8310	Hoylman	Relates to accessing substance use disorder services based on the individual's gender identity or expression and preference	Reported from Committee
S.8313	Harckham	Relates to funding for services of the office of addiction services and supports	Passed Senate Only
S.8392	Harckham	Requires schools to include instruction on the prevention of co-occurring disorders as an integral part of their health education programs	Reported from Committee
S.8633-A	Comrie	Relates to establishing the nightlife opioid antagonist program	On the Governor's Desk
S.8708-A	Mannion	Requires public entities to maintain a stock of opioid antagonists	Passed Senate Only











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