

The State Program Standing Committee (SPSC) for the Developmental Disability Service Division (DDSD) understands that there is a bill, S.193, currently being considered which seeks to establish a forensic facility.

The SPSC strongly opposes that such facility be used for people with intellectual and developmental disabilities (IDD). The specific language of “qualifying conditions” needs to be amended to exclude people with IDD. We are not aware of evidence to support that people with IDD can be “restored to competency”.

Please, may we ask that this letter be posted.

Respectfully yours,
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And all of the members of the SPSC