

SENATE NO. 1141

AN ACT PROVIDING FOR A STUDY OF SOBER HOMES

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled,
And by the authority of the same, as follows:*

1 SECTION 1. Notwithstanding the provisions of any general or special law to the contrary, the
2 executive office of health and human services shall conduct a study relative to sober houses.
3 Said study shall determine whether sober houses should be a properly regulated and licensed
4 part of the continuum of care for individuals with substance abuse disorders so as to prevent the
5 victimization and abuse of individuals who are defined as having substance abuse disorders.
6 Said study shall make the appropriate recommendations for any corrective action consistent
7 with preventing the victimization and abuse of individuals who are defined as having substance
8 abuse disorders. Results of said study shall be filed with the clerks of the senate and House of
9 Representatives and the joint committee on mental health and substance abuse not later than
10 December 31, 2007.