

**TITLE 3: HUMAN RESOURCES**  
**DIVISION 2: HEALTH**

**§ 2511. Gravely Disabled Commitment.**

(a) Whenever the Attorney General's office receives notice that seeks the involuntary commitment of a person within the Commonwealth, the Attorney General's office shall determine whether to initiate a proceeding for commitment as gravely disabled under this section for the involuntary civil commitment of the person.

(b) The Attorney General's office may initiate a proceeding for the involuntary civil commitment under this section of an allegedly mentally ill person only upon the filing of a written petition for commitment with the court.

(c) The petition shall specifically state that it seeks commitment under this section, state the grounds for the relief sought, with specificity as to the alleged conduct or condition upon which the proposed commitment is sought, state the name of all examining physicians and others who may testify in the matter, state the purpose of the commitment and possible consequences, and include notice of the date, time and place of the hearing on the petition.

(d) The petition shall be served on the person sought to be committed, his attorney and, if practicable, upon his immediate family, parent or guardian, at least one day prior to the hearing.

**Source:** PL 8-36, § 13.