

[MCAE] Alert #02-06 - Econ Stimulus Bill Passes with \$3 million for ABE

HOUSE PASSES ECONOMIC STIMULUS BILL (H4404) WITH ADDITIONAL \$3 MILLION FOR ABE LINE ITEM #7035-0002:

- Late last night, the House unanimously passed H4404, which includes an additional \$3 million for the ABE line item #7035-0002 under the MA Dept. of Education.
- An amendment filed by Rep. Alice Wolf of Cambridge to increase the amount of funding for ABE by \$6 million instead of \$3 million did not pass.
- Other amendments to earmark a portion of the ABE line item for a specific service or program also did not pass.

FOLLOW-UP THANK YOU'S:

- If you contacted your representative and especially if your representative signed on as a co-sponsor to Rep. Wolf's amendment, please call him/her today to say thank you.
- Even if you did not contact your representative, please call to thank him/her since the bill was passed unanimously.
- MCAE has a reputation among legislators for conducting respectful advocacy campaigns and for thanking legislators in a timely way. Please let's continue that important tradition.

THANK YOU FOR MAKING CALLS!

- Thank you to all of you who made calls, encouraged others to make calls, and reported back to the MCAE Regional Coordinators.
- Your calls made a difference and helped keep ABE in the forefront.

QUESTIONS:

- Contact Roberta Soolman, MCAE Public Policy Co-Chair, at 617.367.1313 or litvolma@aol.com.