Mass-ALA Legislative Package

Senate Bill No. 345 An Act authorizing the option of providing common sense health services for residents of assisted living residences:

*Provides the option of offering certain basic health services (injections, dressing changes, Oxygen management, application of drops and ointments) in certified assisted living communities in order to serve residents with limited health needs that might otherwise cause them to prematurely enter skilled nursing facilities.*

Senate Bill No. 344 An Act directing the Administration to amend the Frail Elder Home and Community Based Waiver to permit eligible older adults to choose to reside in certified assisted living residences:

*Provides that lower income older adults could have the option of choosing to reside in an assisted living community just as they could if they resided in 43 other states. Helps promote affordable assisted living opportunities.*

House Bill No. 343 An Act further regulating the Assisted Living Advisory Council:

*Makes the terms of all member’s co-terminus with the Governor instead of one-year appointments and designates a seat for a representative of the Massachusetts Assisted Living Association, Inc.*

House Bill No. 1164 An Act further regulating the Commission on Falls Prevention:

*Makes a technical change in the statue by changing the name of the Massachusetts Assisted Living Facilities Association to its new name – Massachusetts Assisted Living Association.*