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ALERT

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ADULT EDUCATION
IN MASSACHUSETTS

Alert #3 - FY2012

10/19/11

ALERT SUMMARY:

1. PURVIEW: State (not federal)

2. LEVEL OF MOBILIZATION: None; for information only

SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET WITH ADDITIONAL \$3 MILLION FOR ABE SENT TO GOVERNOR FOR SIGNATURE

- The House and Senate passed a supplemental budget for FY2011 and FY2012, which included an additional \$3 million for ABE line item #7035-0002.
- The funds must be spent during FY2012 and are in addition to the \$27.7 million already appropriated for ABE for this fiscal year.
- The supplemental budget has been referred to the Governor for his signature.
- The Governor has 10 days to review and sign the budget. The Governor also has line item veto authority and can veto entire line items, reduce the amount in a line item and/or strike budget language. The Governor cannot add additional money to a line item.
- The full legislature (House and Senate together) need a 2/3 vote to override any of the Governor's vetoes. Veto overrides must originate in the House.
- If the Governor takes no action on the budget within 10 days of receiving it, the budget automatically becomes law.

NEXT MCAE PUBLIC POLICY COMMITTEE MEETING

November 18, 2011

10 a.m. to 12 noon

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THANK YOU AND PLEASE THANK YOUR LEGISLATORS!

- Thank you letting your state legislators know what an important investment adult basic education is for their constituents and the Commonwealth, especially in these difficult economic times.
- The funds from this supplemental budget appropriation are important to providing services to your community.
- **Please be sure to thank your state senator and state representative for supporting ABE!**

QUESTIONS:

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