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ALERT SUMMARY:

1. **PURVIEW: State (not federal)**
2. **MOBILIZATION: None; for information only**

GOVERNOR PATRICK SIGNS FY2009 BUDGET WITH \$31.1 MILLION FOR ABE

- Governor Patrick signed the state's FY2009 budget yesterday.
- The ABE line item #7035-0002 was untouched by the Governor. FY2009 funding for ABE is \$31,176,348 -- the amount passed by the full legislature.

THANK YOU!

- Thank you to everyone who made telephone calls, wrote to legislators or met with them regarding the ABE budget. As always, your calls were extremely important.
- Please remember to thank your state representatives and state senators, the leadership (Speaker DiMasi, Senate President Murray, House Ways and Means Chair DeLeo, Senate Ways and Means Chair Panagiotakos), Rep. Bosley and Rep. Provost who filed ABE budget amendments in the House, Senator Baddour who filed an ABE budget amendment in the Senate, and any conference committee members that you called.
- For a list of legislators who signed amendments, refer to MCAE Alert #08-08.
- For easy access to legislative telephone numbers, go to www.mass.gov/legis.