



OHIO ASSISTED LIVING ASSOCIATION

Budget Update: Act Now!

OALA's goal in the Ohio Senate deliberations on Sub HB49 are:

To remove the language added in the House version of the budget that prohibits an increase in the Assisted Living Waiver (ALW) during the budget biennium, ...and to ask for monies that were in the original as introduced budget for an increase in the ALW reimbursement rate to be reinstated.

Also...

- *To keep ODH's newly proposed fines and penalties for RCFs out of the budget (fines were removed by the House)*
- *To maintain the RCF licensure requirement to provide the ALW (RCF licensure was kept by the House)*

Please contact the following Senators via phone or email with these requests.

Volume of calls/emails counts, let Assisted Living be heard! Additionally, if you have a personal relationship with any Senators, please contact them as well. As a provider, you employ and serve individuals in each Senator's district.

- Larry Obhof, Senate President, (614) 466-7505, <http://ohiosenate.gov/obhof>
- Robert "Bob" Hackett, Chairman, Senate Finance Subcommittee, Health and Medicaid, (614) 466-3780 <http://ohiosenate.gov/hackett/contact>
- Dave Burke, Member Senate Finance Subcommittee Health & Medicaid (614) 466-8049, full Finance Committee, <http://ohiosenate.gov/burke>
- Jay Hottinger, Member Senate Finance Subcommittee, Health and Medicaid (614) 466-5838, full Finance Committee, <http://ohiosenate.gov/hottinger>
- Charleta Tavares, Vice Chair, Senate Finance Subcommittee, Health and Medicaid (614) 466-5131, full Finance Committee <http://ohiosenate.gov/tavares>