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## KENNEDY ON COMPREHENSIVE MASSACHUSETTS HEALTH CARE BILL

## Applauds work by Travaglini, DiMasi and pledges continued support for Administration approval of federal dollars

WASHINGTON, D.C. – Today, Senator Edward M. Kennedy released the following statement on the comprehensive Massachusetts Health Care Bill:

"Massachusetts once again leads the nation with an innovative plan that will achieve our longstanding goal of expanding health care for all. We could not have achieved today's landmark agreement without the strong leadership of Senate President Travaglini and House Speaker DiMasi. Their skill in crafting this legislation and their dedication to seeing it through have been extraordinary. I'm optimistic that it will quickly be signed into law and I'll continue to fight to keep the federal dollars that will be critical in enabling this plan to become a reality."

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