

Thank Chapter BOD and Angie for organizing Spring Conference  
Introduce GR Committee

Since April of 2018 the committee has met 8 times:  
One face to face and 7 phone conferences

The concerns of GR are to support and put forth legislation and action that promotes the progress of Massage and Bodywork Therapy on behalf of Consumer Protection and Safety. Additionally we strive to uphold the mission of AMTA: to serve AMTA members while advancing the art, sciences and practice of massage therapy.

Achievements of GR:

1. In collaboration with our lobbyist PPAG we put forth proposed **Senate Bill S2428 Requires that massage and bodywork therapists and employers carry professional liability insurance.**  
Sponsor: Senator Scutari and Assemblywoman Huttle introduced to legislature April 2018
2. Other proposed bills that affect our practice and business of MBT are:
  - **A3913:** Regulates employers operating massage and bodywork therapy establishments.
  - **A3565:** Makes unauthorized practice of massage and bodywork therapies a crimeProposed Legislation being followed also includes:
  - **A3562:** Expands duty of Commission on Human Trafficking to include studying connection between human trafficking and illicit massage parlor businesses
3. Attended at the 2018 NJ League of Municipalities in Atlantic City. The purpose was to provide information regarding the MBT Law; articles and research about massage therapy in order to educate the attendees of the Conference; and complimentary chair massage. We provided massage to more than 100 people and had the opportunity to speak with officials and staff for the towns and cities in NJ.
4. Created a document for members to reference "SeeSomethingSaySomething"
5. Created a document that provides process for Governor's appointment to NJ State MBT Board.

Tasks and goals for 2019:

1. Continue following legislation
2. Attend the 2019 NJ League of Municipalities