§ 69. Paragraph (b) of subdivision 6 of section 3614 of the public health law, as added by chapter 645 of the laws of 2003, is amended to read as follows:

(b) For purposes of this subdivision, real property capital construction costs shall only be included in rates of payment for assisted living programs if: the facility houses exclusively assisted living program beds authorized pursuant to paragraph (j) of subdivision three of section four hundred sixty-one-l of the social services law or (i) the facility is operated by a not-for-profit corporation; (ii) the facility commenced operation after nineteen hundred ninety-eight and at least ninety-five percent of the certified approved beds are provided to residents who are subject to the assisted living program; and (iii) the assisted living program is in a county with a population of no less than two hundred eighty thousand persons. The methodology used to calculate the rate for such capital construction costs shall be the same methodology used to calculate the capital construction costs at residential health care facilities for such costs, provided that the commissioner may adopt rules and regulations which establish a cap on real property capital construction costs for those facilities that house exclusively assisted living program beds authorized pursuant to paragraph (j) of subdivision three of section four hundred sixty-one-l of the social services law.

§ 70. Subdivision 3 of section 461-l of the social services law is amended by adding a new paragraph (j) to read as follows:

(j) The commissioner of health is authorized to add up to four thousand five hundred assisted living program beds to the gross number of assisted living program beds having been determined to be available as of April first, two thousand twelve. Applicants eligible to submit an application under this paragraph shall be limited to adult homes established pursuant to section four hundred sixty-one-b of this article with, as of September first, two thousand twelve, a certified capacity of eighty beds or more in which twenty-five percent or more of the resident population are persons with serious mental illness as defined in regulations promulgated by the commissioner of health. The commissioner of health shall not be required to review on a comparative basis applications submitted for assisted living program beds made available under this paragraph.