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Ontario announced [three new Behavioural Specialized Units](#) (BSUs) and additional funding for 21 other units across the province. The new BSUs will be located in Brampton, Etobicoke and Timmins.

OLTCC is drafting input to the Senate on Bill C-295. While OLTCC fully supports all efforts to help ensure excellent care for Long Term Care, there are concerns that Bill C-295 will have unintended consequences on staffing and may do more harm than good, especially when trying to address a shortage of staffing in LTC. OLTCC is joining other voices across the country in raising awareness around these concerns.

The provincial Government announced a new [LTC investigations unit](#). OLTCC has been advocating for a collaborative environment in LTC and for inspectors to receive training in person-centred care and in the palliative approach to care so they have a better understanding of quality of life care. OLTCC supports all efforts to provide excellent care and notes the importance of care that is individually responsive to the needs and values of each resident and that supports a positive working environment for staff. These measures can help improve health and human resource recruitment and retention.

The Legislature has recessed until February 14th, but Minister of Long-Term Care, the Honourable Stan Cho continues to tour the province to announce and attend ground-breaking or openings of new LTC homes.