
A BILL FOR AN ACT

MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR THE ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE AND RELATED
DEMENTIA SERVICES COORDINATOR POSITION.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:

1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that the *Hawaii 2025:*
2 *State Plan Alzheimer's Disease and Related Dementias*, published
3 by the executive office on aging, identifies goals and key
4 strategies to improve the lives of the numerous families
5 affected by the disease. The legislature further finds that
6 Alzheimer's disease is the sixth leading cause of death in the
7 United States and that it affects twenty-seven thousand Hawaii
8 residents, a number that will increase by more than forty per
9 cent by the year 2025. The legislature also finds that an
10 estimated sixty-five thousand unpaid caregivers in this State
11 provide seventy-four million hours of unpaid care each year.

12 With the significantly high number of individuals affected
13 by Alzheimer's disease as a person having the disease or as a
14 caregiver, and the substantial projected increase by 2025, there
15 is a need for a coordinated and prepared support system to
16 address the multitude of issues arising from addressing the



1 disease. While the *Hawaii 2025: State Plan Alzheimer's Disease*
2 *and Related Dementias* identifies strategies to address the
3 disease, the services and activities require coordination at a
4 systemic level, such as through a coordinator position.

5 The purpose of this Act is to make an appropriation for an
6 Alzheimer's disease and related dementia services coordinator
7 position.

8 SECTION 2. There is appropriated out of the general
9 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$80,000 or so much
10 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2017-2018 and the
11 same sum or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year
12 2018-2019 for the establishment of one full-time equivalent (1.0
13 FTE) Alzheimer's disease and related dementia services
14 coordinator position, exempt from chapter 76, Hawaii Revised
15 Statutes, within the executive office on aging.

16 The sums appropriated shall be expended by the department
17 of health for the purposes of this Act.

18 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2017.

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Report Title:

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Description:

Makes an appropriation for the Alzheimer's disease and related dementia services coordinator position.

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