
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO HEALTH.

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

1 SECTION 1. Alzheimer's disease is the sixth leading cause
2 of death in Hawaii. An estimated twenty-seven thousand
3 individuals in Hawaii currently live with Alzheimer's disease
4 and about sixty-six thousand unpaid family caregivers care for
5 those individuals. By 2025, the number of individuals with
6 Alzheimer's disease is expected to increase to thirty-five
7 thousand.

8 In 2013, the department of health executive office on aging
9 issued the state plan on Alzheimer's disease and related
10 dementias. The plan set forth a course of action to improve the
11 quality of life for individuals with Alzheimer's disease and
12 related dementias.

13 The five goals of the state plan on Alzheimer's disease and
14 related dementias are:

- 15 (1) Prevent and effectively treat Alzheimer's disease by
16 the year 2025;
- 17 (2) Enhance care quality and efficiency;



- 1 (3) Expand supports for individuals with Alzheimer's
- 2 disease and their families;
- 3 (4) Enhance public awareness and engagement; and
- 4 (5) Improve data to track progress.

5 The plan was envisioned to be "a living document that will
6 be updated annually." However, although stakeholders to the
7 plan, including the executive office on aging, met in 2015,
8 2016, and 2017, an update to the plan has not yet been issued
9 and resources are needed to further the efforts specified by the
10 plan.

11 The purpose of this Act is to:

- 12 (1) Require the executive office on aging to annually
- 13 update the state plan on Alzheimer's disease and
- 14 related dementias;
- 15 (2) Require the executive office on aging to set forth, as
- 16 part of the annual updates to the state plan on
- 17 Alzheimer's disease and related dementias, a work plan
- 18 specifying the tasks, timelines, and milestones for
- 19 each goal of the state plan on Alzheimer's disease and
- 20 related dementias; and



1 (3) Appropriate funds for the executive office on aging to
2 update the state plan on Alzheimer's disease and
3 related dementias;

4 so that the State may properly prepare for the expected increase
5 in individuals with Alzheimer's disease and related dementias.

6 SECTION 2. Chapter 349, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
7 amended by adding a new section to part I be appropriately
8 designated and to read as follows:

9 "§349- Alzheimer's disease and related dementias state
10 plan. (a) Beginning in 2019 and every year thereafter, the
11 executive office on aging shall submit to the governor and the
12 legislature an update of the state plan on Alzheimer's disease
13 and related dementias. The update shall be submitted no later
14 than twenty days prior to the convening of the regular session
15 of the legislature.

16 (b) The update shall include:

17 (1) An implementation work plan specifying the tasks,
18 timelines, and milestones for each goal along with
19 parties assigned to each task;



- 1 (2) Efforts taken by the State to achieve the goals and
- 2 strategies identified in the most recent state plan on
- 3 Alzheimer's disease and related dementias;
- 4 (3) Recommendations for state policy relating to
- 5 Alzheimer's disease and dementias; and
- 6 (4) A review of services initiated and coordinated among
- 7 public and private agencies to meet the needs of
- 8 persons with Alzheimer's disease and related dementias
- 9 and their families.

10 (c) In preparing the update, the executive office on aging
 11 shall review the most recent state plan on Alzheimer's disease
 12 and related dementias for appropriateness and revise the plan as
 13 necessary. In determining the appropriateness of the current
 14 plan, the executive office on aging shall solicit input from
 15 task forces and working groups formed to address Alzheimer's
 16 disease and related dementias, families affected by Alzheimer's
 17 disease and related dementias, and members of the medical
 18 community."

19 SECTION 3. There is appropriated out of the general
 20 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$175,000 or so much
 21 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2018-2019 for the



1 executive office on aging to update the state plan on
2 Alzheimer's disease and related dementias.

3 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the department of
4 health for the purposes of this Act.

5 SECTION 4. New statutory material is underscored.

6 SECTION 5. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2018.

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Report Title:

Alzheimer's Disease and Related Dementias; Executive Office on Aging; Appropriation

Description:

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