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A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO HEALTH.

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

SECTION 1. Chapter 349, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended by adding a new section to be appropriately designated and to read as follows:

"§349- Alzheimer's disease and related dementia services program. (a) The executive office on aging may establish the Alzheimer's disease and related dementia services program. The program shall be coordinated by the Alzheimer's disease and related dementia services coordinator and shall provide:

(1) A family consultant with expertise in dementia care to provide in-home needs assessment, counseling, information, and assistance with care decisions;

(2) Assistance for caregivers of individuals with Alzheimer's disease and related dementia in finding and selecting the type of respite and support services that best meets their needs;

(3) Funding assistance when available for those who qualify for support of in-home personal care, adult



1 day services, group respite, or overnight residential
2 respite care for eligible families;

3 (4) Training and educational resources for family
4 caregivers, respite care providers, and community
5 organizations; and

6 (5) Linkage to community based agencies and the
7 Alzheimer's Association - Aloha Chapter.

8 (b) Eligibility requirements for participation in the
9 Alzheimer's disease and related dementia services program shall
10 include but not be limited to:

11 (1) Confirmation of Alzheimer's disease or other types of
12 dementia by a caregiver, physician, or health care
13 provider; and

14 (2) Proof of Hawaii residency.

15 Caregivers receiving services through the executive office on
16 aging's aging and disability resource center are eligible for
17 all benefits of the program, excluding additional respite
18 funding. There is no age restriction for eligibility for the
19 person with dementia or the family caregiver. While there are
20 no specific income limitations for the program, the program
21 shall give priority to low-income, rural, and minority families.



(c) The director shall adopt rules pursuant to chapter 91 necessary for the purposes of this section."

SECTION 2. Section 349-3.2, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended to read as follows:

"~~§~~349-3.2~~§~~ **Alzheimer's disease and related dementia services coordinator.** There is established within the executive office on aging an Alzheimer's disease and related dementia services coordinator to coordinate the provision of public and private Alzheimer's disease and related dementia services~~[-]~~, including coordinating the Alzheimer's disease and related dementia services program established in section 349- . The coordinator shall be appointed by the director in accordance with chapters 76 and 89."

SECTION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

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Report Title:

Alzheimer's Disease and Related Dementia Services; Executive Office on Aging

Description:

Establishes an Alzheimer's disease and related dementia services program under the executive office on aging to expand support for people with Alzheimer's disease and their families.

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