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# 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 the United States. An estimated twenty-seven  
3 thousand individuals in Hawaii currently live with Alzheimer's  
4 disease and dementia, and about sixty-six thousand unpaid family  
5 caregivers care for those individuals. By 2025, the number of  
6 individuals with Alzheimer's disease is expected to increase to  
7 thirty-five 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 biennially  
13 update the state plan on Alzheimer's disease and  
14 related dementias and include information on progress  
15 made toward the plan goals in its annual report to the  
16 legislature;  
17 (2) Require the executive office on aging to set forth, as  
18 part of the biennial updates to the state plan on  
19 Alzheimer's disease and related dementias, a work plan  
20 specifying the tasks, timelines, and milestones for



1 each goal of the state plan on Alzheimer's disease and  
2 related dementias; and

3 (3) Appropriate funds for the executive office on aging to  
4 update the state plan on Alzheimer's disease and  
5 related dementias,

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

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

11 "§349- Alzheimer's disease and related dementias state  
12 plan. (a) The executive office on aging shall prepare an  
13 update of the state plan on Alzheimer's disease and related  
14 dementias no less frequently than once per fiscal biennium. The  
15 executive office on aging shall include information on progress  
16 made toward the goals of the state plan in its annual report to  
17 the legislature.

18 (b) The update shall include:

19 (1) An implementation work plan specifying the tasks,  
20 timelines, and milestones for each goal along with  
21 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 \$                   or so  
21 much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2018-2019 for



1 the 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, 2050.



**Report Title:**

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

**Description:**

Requires the Executive Office on Aging to biennially update the state plan on Alzheimer's disease and related dementias, include an implementation work plan for each goal in the state plan, and include information on progress made toward the goals of the state plan on Alzheimer's disease and related dementias in its annual report to the legislature. Appropriates funds.  
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