

SENATE BILL NO. 1410

102ND GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY SENATOR FITZWATER.

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KRISTINA MARTIN, Secretary

AN ACT

To amend chapter 192, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to a dementia services coordinator.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Chapter 192, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new section, to be known as section 192.2155, to read as follows:

192.2155. 1. The division of senior and disability services within the department of health and senior services shall establish a dementia services coordinator as a full-time position.

2. The dementia services coordinator shall:

(1) Evaluate the coordination of dementia services within this state;

(2) Coordinate information resources affecting Missourians living with dementia and their caregivers. Such coordination shall include, but not be limited to:

(a) Using dementia-related data to coordinate ways to improve public health outcomes and service delivery for persons with Alzheimer's disease or related dementia;

(b) Establishing and maintaining relationships with other agencies, providers, and organizations within the state in order to meet the needs of affected populations and prevent the duplication of services;

18 (c) Supporting the provision of dementia-specific
19 staff training across all relevant state agencies, including
20 law enforcement, the department of health and senior
21 services, and other organizations; and

22 (d) Recommending strategies to improve coordination of
23 dementia-related services and resources provided by public
24 and private entities;

25 (3) Streamline all applicable state government
26 services to increase efficiency and improve the quality of
27 care in residential, home-based, and community-based
28 settings;

29 (4) Identify any duplicated services;

30 (5) Identify grant opportunities to expand the scope
31 of services for persons living with dementia and their
32 caregivers and apply for the grant opportunities;

33 (6) Complete other duties relevant to supporting
34 policy development and implementation to enhance the quality
35 of life for persons affected by dementia and their
36 caregivers;

37 (7) Promote public and professional awareness and
38 education of dementia and access to needed services and
39 programs; and

40 (8) Collect and monitor data concerning the impact of
41 dementia in Missouri.

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