

HOUSE BILL NO. 1683

100TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVE WOOD.

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DANA RADEMAN MILLER, Chief Clerk

AN ACT

To amend chapter 191, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to the Alzheimer's state plan task force.

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

Section A. Chapter 191, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new section, to be known as section 191.116, to read as follows:

191.116. 1. There is hereby established in the department of health and senior services the "Alzheimer's State Plan Task Force". The task force shall consist of nineteen members, as follows:

(1) The lieutenant governor or his or her designee, who shall serve as chair of the task force;

(2) The directors of the departments of health and senior services, social services, and mental health, or their designees;

(3) One member of the house of representatives appointed by the speaker of the house;

(4) One member of the senate appointed by the president pro tempore of the senate;

(5) One member who has early-stage Alzheimer's or a related dementia;

(6) One member who is a family caregiver of a person with Alzheimer's or a related dementia;

(7) One member who is a licensed physician with experience in the diagnosis, treatment, and research of Alzheimer's;

(8) One member from the office of the state long-term care ombudsman;

(9) One member representing residential long-term care;

EXPLANATION — Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted from the law. Matter in **bold-face** type in the above bill is proposed language.

- 18 **(10) One member representing the home care profession;**
19 **(11) One member representing the adult day services profession;**
20 **(12) One member representing the area agencies on aging;**
21 **(13) One member with expertise in minority health;**
22 **(14) One member representing the law enforcement community;**
23 **(15) One member from the department of higher education and workforce**
24 **development with knowledge of workforce training;**
25 **(16) Two members from the leading voluntary health organization in Alzheimer's**
26 **care, support, and research.**
- 27 **2. The members of the task force, other than the lieutenant governor, members**
28 **from the general assembly, and department and division directors, shall be appointed by**
29 **the governor with the advice and consent of the senate. Members shall serve on the task**
30 **force without compensation.**
- 31 **3. The task force shall assess all state programs that address Alzheimer's and**
32 **update and maintain an integrated state plan to overcome Alzheimer's. The state plan**
33 **shall include implementation steps and recommendations for priority actions based on this**
34 **assessment. The task force's actions shall include, but not be limited to, the following:**
- 35 **(1) Assess the current and future impact of Alzheimer's on residents of the state of**
36 **Missouri;**
- 37 **(2) Examine the existing services and resources addressing the needs of persons**
38 **with Alzheimer's and their families and caregivers;**
- 39 **(3) Develop recommendations to respond to the escalating public health crisis**
40 **regarding Alzheimer's;**
- 41 **(4) Ensure the inclusion of ethnic and racial populations that have a higher risk for**
42 **Alzheimer's or are least likely to receive care in clinical, research, and service efforts, with**
43 **the purpose of decreasing health disparities in Alzheimer's;**
- 44 **(5) Identify opportunities for the state of Missouri to coordinate with federal**
45 **government entities to integrate and inform the fight against Alzheimer's;**
- 46 **(6) Provide information and coordination of Alzheimer's research and services**
47 **across all state agencies;**
- 48 **(7) Examine dementia-specific training requirements across healthcare, adult**
49 **protective services (APS) workers, law enforcement, and all other areas in which staff are**
50 **involved with the delivery of care to those with Alzheimer's and other dementias; and**
- 51 **(8) Develop strategies to increase the diagnostic rate in Missouri.**
- 52 **4. The task force shall deliver a report of recommendations to the governor and**
53 **members of the general assembly no later than December 31, 2020.**

54 **5. The task force shall continue to meet at the request of the chair and at a**
55 **minimum of one time annually for the purpose of evaluating the implementation and**
56 **impact of the task force recommendations and shall provide annual supplemental report**
57 **updates on the findings to the governor and the general assembly.**

58 **6. The provisions of this section shall expire on December 31, 2026.**

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