SECOND REGULAR SESSION

HOUSE BILL NO. 2149

103RD GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVE WILSON.

4979H.01I JOSEPH ENGLER, Chief Clerk

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-3 time position.

2. The dementia services coordinator shall:

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- (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;
- Supporting the provision of dementia-specific staff training across all 14 relevant state agencies, including law enforcement, the department of health and senior services, and other organizations; and
- 16 Recommending strategies to improve coordination of dementia-related services and resources provided by public and private entities;

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.

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18 (3) Streamline all applicable state government services to increase efficiency and 19 improve the quality of care in residential, home-based, and community-based settings;

- (4) Identify any duplicated services;
- (5) Identify grant opportunities to expand the scope of services for persons living with dementia and their caregivers and apply for the grant opportunities;
- (6) Complete other duties relevant to supporting policy development and implementation to enhance the quality of life for persons affected by dementia and their caregivers;
- (7) Promote public and professional awareness and education of dementia and access to needed services and programs; and
 - (8) Collect and monitor data concerning the impact of dementia in Missouri.

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