ENGROSSED SENATE
BILL NO. 2 By: Crain of the Senate

and

Echols of the House

[Alzheimer's disease - Advisory Council on the Effect of Alzheimer's Disease in Oklahoma - report - renewal of plan - codification - ~~effective date~~ - ~~emergency~~]

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 1-879.5 of Title 63, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

A. There is hereby created to continue until September 1, 2015, the Advisory Council on the Effect of Alzheimer's Disease in Oklahoma. The purpose of the advisory council shall be to:

1. Review and revise the State Plan developed by the 2009 Advisory Council on the Effect of Alzheimer's Disease in Oklahoma; and

2. Update the strategy to mobilize a state response to Alzheimer's disease.

B. The advisory council shall consist of eighteen (18) members, to be appointed as follows:

1. Four shall be appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives as follows:

a. one shall be a person who has been diagnosed with Alzheimer's disease,

b. one shall be a representative of the health care provider community,

c. one shall be a representative of the adult day services industry, and

d. one shall be a member of the House of Representatives;

2. Four shall be appointed by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate as follows:

a. one shall be a caregiver of a person with Alzheimer's disease,

b. one shall be a representative of the assisted living industry,

c. one shall be a scientist who specializes in Alzheimer's research, and

d. one shall be a member of the Senate;

3. Five shall be appointed by the Governor as follows:

a. one shall be a person living with Alzheimer's disease or other form of dementia,

b. two shall be family members of persons living with Alzheimer's disease or other form of dementia,

c. one shall be a representative of the nursing facility industry, and

d. one shall be a person active in the state chapter of the Alzheimer's Association; and

4. Five shall be public sector representatives as follows:

a. the Commissioner of the State Department of Health, or designee,

b. the Director of the Department of Human Services, or designee,

c. the Commissioner of the Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services, or designee,

d. the Chief Executive Officer of the Oklahoma Health Care Authority, or designee, and

e. the Executive Director of the Oklahoma Employment Security Commission, or designee.

C. Appointments to the advisory council shall be made by September 1, 2015. Advisory council members shall serve at the pleasure of their appointing authorities. A vacancy on the advisory council shall be filled by the original appointing authority.

D. The Speaker of the House of Representatives and the President Pro Tempore of the Senate shall each designate a cochair from among the members of the advisory council. A majority of the members of the advisory council shall constitute a quorum to do business. The Department of Human Services shall provide staff

support to the advisory council as necessary to assist the advisory council in the performance of its duties.

E. Members of the Advisory Council shall determine meeting dates. Members shall not be compensated for their service but may be reimbursed by their appointing authorities for necessary expenses incurred in the performance of their duties, as follows:

1. Legislative members may be reimbursed for their necessary travel expenses incurred in the performance of their duties in accordance with the provisions of Section 456 of Title 74 of the Oklahoma Statutes;

2. Nonlegislative members who are state officers or employees may be reimbursed by their respective agencies for their necessary travel expenses incurred in the performance of their duties in accordance with the provisions of the State Travel Reimbursement Act; and

3. Members who are not legislators or state officers or employees of the state may be reimbursed by their appointing authorities in accordance with the provisions of the State Travel Reimbursement Act.

F. The advisory council shall include an examination of the following in its assessment and recommendations:

1. State trends in the number of persons living with Alzheimer's disease and other forms of dementia and the needs of those persons;

2. The state's role in providing long-term care, family caregiver support, and other forms of assistance to persons with early-stage and early onset of Alzheimer's;

3. State policy regarding persons with Alzheimer's disease and developmental disabilities;

4. Existing services, resources, and capacity, including but not limited to the:

a. type, cost and availability of dementia services,

b. dementia-specific training requirements for long-term care staff,

c. quality care measures for residential care facilities,

d. capacity of public safety and law enforcement to respond to persons with Alzheimer's disease,

e. availability of home- and community-based resources for persons with Alzheimer's disease, including the availability of respite care for families,

f. inventory of long-term care dementia care units,

g. adequacy and appropriateness of geriatric-psychiatric units for persons with behavior disorders associated with Alzheimer's and related dementia,

h. assisted living residential options for persons with dementia, and

i. state support of Alzheimer's research; and

5. Update the 2009 Alzheimer's State Plan at least once every five (5) years, reporting on successes and developing needed state policies or responses, including but not limited to directions for the provision of clear and coordinated services and supports for persons and families living with Alzheimer's and related disorders and strategies to address identified gaps in services.

G. The advisory council shall issue a report of its recommendations to the Legislature and the Governor no later than September 1, 2016, and annually every year thereafter.

H. The Alzheimer's State Plan may be reviewed every five (5) years contingent on the approval of enabling legislation by the Legislature.

~~SECTION 2. This act shall become effective August 1, 2015.~~

~~SECTION 3. It being immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is hereby declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and be in full force from and after its passage and approval.~~

Passed the Senate the 18th day of February, 2015.

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Presiding Officer of the Senate

Passed the House of Representatives the ____ day of _____, 2015.

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Presiding Officer of the House
of Representatives