

# SENATE BILL 549

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## A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Virginia I. Jones Alzheimer’s Disease and Related Disorders Council –**  
3 **Membership and Extension of Termination Date**

4 FOR the purpose of altering the membership of the Virginia I. Jones Alzheimer’s Disease  
5 and Related Disorders Council; extending the termination date of certain provisions  
6 of law that establish and govern the Council; and generally relating to the Virginia  
7 I. Jones Alzheimer’s Disease and Related Disorders Council.

8 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,  
9 Article – Health – General  
10 Section 13–3201  
11 Annotated Code of Maryland  
12 (2015 Replacement Volume)

13 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
14 Article – Health – General  
15 Section 13–3203  
16 Annotated Code of Maryland  
17 (2015 Replacement Volume)

18 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
19 Chapter 305 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2013  
20 Section 2

21 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
22 Chapter 306 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2013  
23 Section 2

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EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,  
2 That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

3 **Article – Health – General**

4 13–3201.

5 In this subtitle, “Council” means the Virginia I. Jones Alzheimer’s Disease and  
6 Related Disorders Council.

7 13–3203.

8 (a) The Council consists of the following members:

9 (1) One member of the Senate of Maryland, appointed by the President of  
10 the Senate;

11 (2) One member of the House of Delegates, appointed by the Speaker of the  
12 House;

13 (3) The Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene, or the Secretary’s  
14 designee;

15 (4) The Secretary of Aging, or the Secretary’s designee;

16 (5) The Secretary of Disabilities, or the Secretary’s designee;

17 (6) The Maryland Insurance Commissioner, or the Commissioner’s  
18 designee; and

19 (7) The following members, appointed by the Governor:

20 (i) A representative of the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs with  
21 expertise in Alzheimer’s disease and related disorders;

22 (ii) An attorney who works directly with disabled or elderly  
23 individuals;

24 (iii) A representative of the Alzheimer’s Association, Greater  
25 Maryland Chapter;

26 (iv) A physician who conducts research in Alzheimer’s disease and  
27 related disorders;

28 (v) A health professional with expertise in addressing racial and  
29 ethnic health disparities;

1 (vi) A social worker with experience working with individuals and  
2 families affected by Alzheimer's disease and related disorders;

3 (vii) A psychologist with expertise in Alzheimer's disease and related  
4 disorders;

5 (viii) A psychiatrist with expertise in Alzheimer's disease and related  
6 disorders;

7 (ix) A physician with experience in end-of-life care and pain  
8 management;

9 (x) A registered nurse with expertise in Alzheimer's disease and  
10 related disorders;

11 (xi) A licensed nurse practitioner with expertise in end-of-life care  
12 and pain management;

13 (xii) A representative of the nursing home industry;

14 (xiii) An individual with early-onset Alzheimer's disease or a related  
15 disorder;

16 (xiv) Two family caregivers, one of whom is a family member of an  
17 individual with Alzheimer's disease or a related disorder;

18 (xv) A representative of the assisted living industry; [and]

19 (xvi) A representative of the medical adult day care industry;

20 **(XVII) A REPRESENTATIVE OF THE ALZHEIMER'S ASSOCIATION,**  
21 **NATIONAL CAPITAL AREA CHAPTER;**

22 **(XVIII) A REPRESENTATIVE FROM ACADEMIA WITH**  
23 **RELEVANT PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE;**

24 **(XIX) A REPRESENTATIVE OF THE MARYLAND MEDICAL**  
25 **ASSISTANCE PROGRAM; AND**

26 **(XX) A PUBLIC HEALTH PROFESSIONAL WITH RELEVANT**  
27 **EXPERIENCE.**

28 (b) To the extent practicable, the members appointed to the Council shall reflect  
29 the geographic, racial, ethnic, cultural, and gender diversity of the State.

1 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
2 October 1, 2013. It shall remain effective for a period of [3] 6 years and, at the end of  
3 September 30, [2016] 2019, with no further action required by the General Assembly, this  
4 Act shall be abrogated and of no further force and effect.

5 **Chapter 306 of the Acts of 2013**

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9 Act shall be abrogated and of no further force and effect.

10 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July  
11 1, 2016.