

SENATE BILL 27

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By: **Senator Augustine**

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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Alzheimer's Disease and Dementia – Council and Coordination of Services**
3 **(Dementia Services Act of 2022)**

4 FOR the purpose of establishing the terms of the appointed members of the Virginia I.
5 Jones Alzheimer's Disease and Related Disorders Council; altering the staffing and
6 reporting requirements of the Council; establishing the position of Director of
7 Dementia Services Coordination in the Maryland Department of Health; repealing
8 the termination date for the Council; and generally relating to the Virginia I. Jones
9 Alzheimer's Disease and Related Disorders Council and the Director of Dementia
10 Services Coordination.

11 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
12 Article – Health – General
13 Section 13–3201, 13–3204, 13–3205, and 13–3207
14 Annotated Code of Maryland
15 (2019 Replacement Volume and 2021 Supplement)

16 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
17 Article – Health – General
18 Section 13–3202, 13–3203, and 13–3206
19 Annotated Code of Maryland
20 (2019 Replacement Volume and 2021 Supplement)

21 BY adding to
22 Article – Health – General
23 Section 13–32A–01 through 13–32A–06 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 32A.
24 Director of Dementia Services Coordination”
25 Annotated Code of Maryland
26 (2019 Replacement Volume and 2021 Supplement)

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
 2 Chapter 305 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2013, as amended by Chapters
 3 74 and 75 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2016 and Chapters 410 and
 4 411 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2019
 5 Section 2

6 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
 7 Chapter 306 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2013, as amended by Chapters
 8 74 and 75 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2016 and Chapters 410 and
 9 411 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2019
 10 Section 2

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

13 **Article – Health – General**

14 13–3201.

15 (A) In this subtitle[,] THE FOLLOWING WORDS HAVE THE MEANINGS
 16 INDICATED.

17 (B) “Council” means the Virginia I. Jones Alzheimer’s Disease and Related
 18 Disorders Council.

19 (C) “DIRECTOR” MEANS THE DIRECTOR OF DEMENTIA SERVICES
 20 COORDINATION ESTABLISHED UNDER SUBTITLE 32A OF THIS TITLE.

21 13–3202.

22 There is a Virginia I. Jones Alzheimer’s Disease and Related Disorders Council.

23 13–3203.

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

25 (1) One member of the Senate of Maryland, appointed by the President of
 26 the Senate;

27 (2) One member of the House of Delegates, appointed by the Speaker of the
 28 House;

29 (3) The Secretary of Health, or the Secretary’s designee;

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

1 (5) The Executive Director of the Alzheimer's Association, Greater
2 Maryland Chapter, or the Executive Director's designee;

3 (6) The President of the Alzheimer's Association, National Capital Area
4 Chapter, or the President's designee; and

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

6 (i) Seven health care professionals with relevant professional
7 experience;

8 (ii) Three human service professionals with relevant professional
9 experience;

10 (iii) One elder law attorney with relevant professional experience;

11 (iv) Two research professionals with relevant professional
12 experience;

13 (v) Two family caregivers of individuals with Alzheimer's disease or
14 a related disorder; and

15 (vi) At the recommendation of the Council, any other member
16 necessary to fulfill the duties of the Council.

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

19 13-3204.

20 (a) The members of the Council shall select the chair of the Council.

21 (b) A member of the Council:

22 (1) May not receive compensation as a member of the Council; but

23 (2) Is entitled to reimbursement for expenses under the Standard State
24 Travel Regulations, as provided in the State budget.

25 **(C) (1) THE TERM OF AN APPOINTED MEMBER OF THE COUNCIL IS 3**
26 **YEARS.**

27 **(2) THE TERMS OF THE APPOINTED MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL ARE**
28 **STAGGERED AS REQUIRED BY THE TERMS PROVIDED FOR THE APPOINTED MEMBERS**
29 **OF THE COUNCIL ON OCTOBER 1, 2022.**

1 **(3) AT THE END OF A TERM, AN APPOINTED MEMBER CONTINUES TO**
2 **SERVE UNTIL A SUCCESSOR IS APPOINTED AND QUALIFIES.**

3 **(4) A MEMBER WHO IS APPOINTED AFTER A TERM HAS BEGUN SERVES**
4 **ONLY FOR THE REST OF THE TERM AND UNTIL A SUCCESSOR IS APPOINTED AND**
5 **QUALIFIES.**

6 13-3205.

7 (a) The [Department] **DIRECTOR**, with assistance from the **DEPARTMENT OF**
8 **LEGISLATIVE SERVICES AND THE** Department of Aging, shall provide staff support for
9 the Council.

10 (b) The [Department] **DIRECTOR** may request staffing assistance from public
11 health entities with an interest in the duties of the Council.

12 13-3206.

13 The Council shall:

14 (1) Update the State Plan on Alzheimer's Disease and Related Disorders
15 and advocate for the State Plan;

16 (2) (i) Examine the needs of individuals with Alzheimer's disease and
17 related disorders and their caregivers; and

18 (ii) Identify methods through which the State can most effectively
19 and efficiently assist in meeting those needs;

20 (3) Advise the Governor and the General Assembly on policy, funding,
21 regulatory, and other issues related to individuals with Alzheimer's disease and related
22 disorders and their caregivers; and

23 (4) Develop and promote strategies to encourage brain health and reduce
24 cognitive decline.

25 13-3207.

26 On or before September 1 [each year], **2022, AND ON OR BEFORE SEPTEMBER 1**
27 **EVERY 5 YEARS THEREAFTER**, the Council shall [report to the Governor and, in
28 accordance with § 2-1257 of the State Government Article, the General Assembly on the
29 activities and recommendations of the Council] **ISSUE AND PUBLISH AN UPDATE TO THE**
30 **STATE PLAN ON ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE AND RELATED DISORDERS.**

31 **SUBTITLE 32A. DIRECTOR OF DEMENTIA SERVICES COORDINATION.**

1 **13-32A-01.**

2 (A) IN THIS SUBTITLE THE FOLLOWING WORDS HAVE THE MEANINGS
3 INDICATED.

4 (B) "COUNCIL" MEANS THE VIRGINIA I. JONES ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE AND
5 RELATED DISORDERS COUNCIL.

6 (C) "DIRECTOR" MEANS THE DIRECTOR OF DEMENTIA SERVICES
7 COORDINATION.

8 **13-32A-02.**

9 (A) THERE IS A DIRECTOR OF DEMENTIA SERVICES COORDINATION IN THE
10 DEPARTMENT.

11 (B) THE DIRECTOR SHALL REPORT TO THE SECRETARY.

12 **13-32A-03.**

13 THE POSITION OF DIRECTOR SHALL BE A FULL-TIME AND PERMANENT
14 POSITION.

15 **13-32A-04.**

16 (A) THE PURPOSE OF THE POSITION OF DIRECTOR IS TO COORDINATE AND
17 FACILITATE COMMUNICATION RELATING TO DEMENTIA SERVICES IN THE STATE.

18 (B) THE DIRECTOR SHALL:

19 (1) COORDINATE THE DEPARTMENT'S APPROACH TO ADDRESSING
20 ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE AND OTHER FORMS OF DEMENTIA;

21 (2) STAFF THE COUNCIL AND IMPLEMENT THE STATE PLAN ON
22 ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE AND RELATED DISORDERS;

23 (3) ASSESS, ANALYZE, AND CONDUCT OUTREACH TO SHARE
24 DEMENTIA-RELATED DATA;

25 (4) IDENTIFY AND SHARE DEMENTIA-SPECIFIC TRAINING WITH
26 STAKEHOLDERS WHO ENGAGE WITH INDIVIDUALS WITH ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE OR
27 OTHER FORMS OF DEMENTIA;

1 **(5) IDENTIFY EFFICIENCIES ACROSS STATE AGENCIES THAT AID**
2 **INDIVIDUALS WITH DEMENTIA AND THEIR CAREGIVERS;**

3 **(6) APPLY FOR GRANTS TO IMPROVE THE QUALITY OF CARE FOR**
4 **INDIVIDUALS WITH DEMENTIA AND THEIR CAREGIVERS; AND**

5 **(7) CARRY OUT OTHER DUTIES RELEVANT TO THE SUPPORT OF**
6 **INDIVIDUALS WITH DEMENTIA AS MAY BE ASSIGNED BY THE DIRECTOR OF THE**
7 **CENTER FOR CHRONIC DISEASE PREVENTION AND CONTROL.**

8 **13-32A-05.**

9 **ON OR BEFORE SEPTEMBER 1, 2023, AND ON OR BEFORE SEPTEMBER 1**
10 **EVERY 5 YEARS THEREAFTER, THE DIRECTOR SHALL REPORT TO THE GOVERNOR**
11 **AND, IN ACCORDANCE WITH § 2-1257 OF THE STATE GOVERNMENT ARTICLE, THE**
12 **SENATE FINANCE COMMITTEE AND THE HOUSE HEALTH AND GOVERNMENT**
13 **OPERATIONS COMMITTEE ON THE ACTIVITIES AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE**
14 **DIRECTOR.**

15 **13-32A-06.**

16 **FOR FISCAL YEAR 2023 AND EACH FISCAL YEAR THEREAFTER, THE**
17 **GOVERNOR SHALL INCLUDE IN THE ANNUAL BUDGET BILL AN APPROPRIATION TO**
18 **FUND THE POSITION OF DIRECTOR AND THE VIRGINIA I. JONES ALZHEIMER'S**
19 **DISEASE AND RELATED DISORDERS COUNCIL.**

20 **Chapter 305 of the Acts of 2013, as amended by Chapters 74 and 75 of the Acts of**
21 **2016 and Chapters 410 and 411 of the Acts of 2019**

22 **SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect**
23 **October 1, 2013. [It shall remain effective for a period of 11 years and, at the end of**
24 **September 20, 2024, with no further action required by the General Assembly, this Act**
25 **shall be abrogated and of no further force and effect.]**

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31 **shall be abrogated and of no further force and effect.]**

1 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the terms of the members of
2 the Virginia I. Jones Alzheimer’s Disease and Related Disorders Council appointed as of
3 October 1, 2022, shall expire as follows:

4 (1) five members in 2024;

5 (2) five members in 2025;

6 (3) five members in 2026; and

7 (4) any other member appointed by the Governor under § 13–3203(a)(7)(vi)
8 of the Health – General Article in 2027.

9 SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
10 October 1, 2022.