

2022 Regular Session

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 65

BY REPRESENTATIVE ECHOLS

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To urge and request the Louisiana Alzheimer's Coalition to submit its Alzheimer's state plan to the office of the governor, speaker of the House of Representatives, president of the Senate, chairman of the House Committee on Health and Welfare, and chairman of the Senate Committee on Health and Welfare no later than March 31, 2023.

WHEREAS, there are currently more than ninety-two thousand people in Louisiana over the age of sixty-five living with Alzheimer's disease; and

WHEREAS, Louisiana has the tenth highest Alzheimer's disease death rate in the country; and

WHEREAS, there are currently two hundred three thousand caregivers in Louisiana providing three hundred sixteen million hours of unpaid care; and

WHEREAS, Medicaid costs the state seven hundred sixty-five million dollars to care for people with Alzheimer's disease; and

WHEREAS, Medicare costs the state thirty thousand seven hundred eighty-six dollars per capita for people with dementia.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby urge and request the Louisiana Alzheimer's Coalition to submit its Alzheimer's state plan to the office of the governor, speaker of the House of Representatives, president of the Senate, chairman of the House Committee on Health and Welfare, and chairman of the Senate Committee on Health and Welfare no later than March 31, 2023.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby urge and request the Louisiana Alzheimer's Coalition to include in its state plan an update on existing resources, services, and capacity relating to the diagnosis and care of individuals living with Alzheimer's disease or other forms of dementia in this state.

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE