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## **SB 1126: appropriation; behavioral risk factor survey**

**Sponsor: Senator Gowan, LD 14**

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### **Overview**

Appropriates \$160,000 from the state General Fund (GF) in FY 2022 to the Department of Health Services (DHS) for the purposes of funding an Arizona-specific behavioral risk factor surveillance survey on cognitive decline and caregiver modules.

### **History**

DHS's [Arizona Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance](#) telephone survey is partially funded by the Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). The surveillance collects data from randomly-selected Arizona adults who live at home. The results from the survey are used to monitor selected public health objectives related to general health status, health-related quality of life and well-being, determinates of health and disparities.

In 2007, the Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) Healthy Aging Program developed a behavioral risk factor surveillance system module to measure subjective [cognitive decline](#) and its associated effects. The CDC states declines in cognitive function vary among people and can include changes in attention, memory, learning, executive function and more, and that there is increased attention and greater public health awareness about Alzheimer's disease and related disorders.

The CDC developed the behavioral risk factor surveillance system [caregiver module](#) as an important tool for collecting public health data on caregivers. According to the CDC, informal or unpaid caregiving, which is providing regular care or assistance to family and friends with chronic illnesses or disability conditions, is an important public health issue and is a critical element of long-term services and supports.

### **Provisions**

1. Appropriates \$160,000 from the state GF in FY 2022 to DHS for the purposes of funding an Arizona-specific behavioral risk factor surveillance survey on cognitive decline and caregiver modules. (Sec. 1)

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