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2 Council to assign to the appropriate study committee the topic
3 of family caregiving and long-term services and support.

4 *Whereas, The population of Indiana that will be 85 years*
5 *or older and that will most likely need caregiving assistance is*
6 *projected to reach 209,000 by 2032;*

7 *Whereas, Providing services and support for these*
8 *individuals in their homes and communities is generally much*
9 *less expensive than nursing home care, and those who receive*
10 *services in their homes are much less likely to need public*
11 *assistance as well;*

12 *Whereas, Among those receiving care at home, 70 percent*
13 *nationally have Alzheimer's disease or a related disorder and*
14 *require daily support;*

15 *Whereas, There is an estimated 1.3 million adults in the*
16 *state providing care to their adult relatives or friends currently,*
17 *equating to an estimated 877 million hours and \$9.4 billion in*
18 *value each year, yet a majority of these caregivers are unpaid;*
19 *and*

20 *Whereas, To successfully address the surging population of*
21 *older adults who have a significant need for long-term services*
22 *and support, Indiana must develop innovative methods to*



1 *encourage and support families to assist their aging relatives*
2 *and develop ways to recruit and retain a qualified, responsive*
3 *in-home care workforce: Therefore,*

4 *Be it resolved by the Senate of the General Assembly*
5 *of the State of Indiana, the House of Representatives concurring:*

6 SECTION 1. That the Indiana General Assembly urges the
7 Legislative Council to assign to the appropriate study committee the
8 topic of family caregiving and long-term services and support in order
9 to identify policies and resources that would support family caregivers
10 and to compile an inventory of the resources available to those family
11 caregivers.

12 SECTION 2. The Secretary of the Senate is hereby directed to
13 transmit a copy of this Resolution to the Legislative Council.

