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ADRIANE D. CROUSE, Secretary.

AN ACT

To amend chapter 191, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to the Alzheimer's state plan task force.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Chapter 191, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new 2 section, to be known as section 191.116, to read as follows:

- 191.116. 1. There is hereby established in the department of
- 2 health and senior services the "Alzheimer's State Plan Task Force". The
- 3 task force shall consist of nineteen members, as follows:
- 4 (1) The lieutenant governor, or his or her designee, who shall
- 5 serve as chair of the task force;
- 6 (2) The directors of the departments of health and senior 7 services, social services, and mental health, or their designees;
- 8 (3) One member of the house of representatives to be appointed 9 by the speaker of the house of representatives;
- 10 (4) One member of the senate to be appointed by the president 11 pro tempore of the senate;
- 12 (5) One member who has early-stage Alzheimer's disease or a related dementia;
- 14 (6) One member who is a family caregiver of a person with
- 15 Alzheimer's disease or a related dementia;
- 16 (7) One member who is a licensed physician with experience in 17 the diagnosis, treatment, and research of Alzheimer's disease;
- 18 **(8)** One member from the office of state ombudsman for long-19 term care facility residents;
- 20 (9) One member representing residential long-term care;
- 21 (10) One member representing the home care profession;

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- 22 (11) One member representing the adult day services profession;
- 23 (12) One member representing the area agencies on aging;
- 24 (13) One member with expertise in minority health;
 - (14) One member representing the law enforcement community;
- 26 (15) One member from the department of higher education and workforce development with knowledge of workforce training; and
- 28 (16) Two members from the leading voluntary health 29 organization in Alzheimer's disease care, support, and research.
 - 2. The members of the task force, other than the lieutenant governor, members from the general assembly, and department and division directors, shall be appointed by the governor with the advice and consent of the senate. Members shall serve on the task force without compensation.
- 35 3. The task force shall assess all state programs that address
 36 Alzheimer's disease and update and maintain an integrated state plan
 37 to overcome Alzheimer's disease. The state plan shall include
 38 implementation steps and recommendations for priority actions based
 39 on this assessment. The task force's actions shall include, but shall not
 40 be limited to, the following:
- 41 (1) Assess the current and future impact of Alzheimer's disease 42 on residents of the state of Missouri;
 - (2) Examine the existing services and resources addressing the needs of persons with Alzheimer's disease and their families and caregivers;
- 46 (3) Develop recommendations to respond to the escalating public 47 health crisis regarding Alzheimer's disease;
 - (4) Ensure the inclusion of ethnic and racial populations that have a higher risk for Alzheimer's disease or are least likely to receive care in clinical, research, and service efforts, with the purpose of decreasing health disparities in Alzheimer's disease treatment;
 - (5) Identify opportunities for the state of Missouri to coordinate with federal government entities to integrate and inform the fight against Alzheimer's disease;
- 55 (6) Provide information and coordination of Alzheimer's disease 56 research and services across all state agencies;
- 57 (7) Examine dementia-specific training requirements across 58 health care, adult protective services workers, law enforcement, and all

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59 other areas in which staff are involved with the delivery of care to 60 those with Alzheimer's disease and other dementias; and

- 61 (8) Develop strategies to increase the diagnostic rate of 62 Alzheimer's disease in Missouri.
- 4. The task force shall deliver a report of recommendations to the governor and members of the general assembly no later than becember 31, 2020.
- 5. The task force shall continue to meet at the request of the chair and at a minimum of one time annually for the purpose of evaluating the implementation and impact of the task force recommendations and shall provide annual supplemental report updates on the findings to the governor and the general assembly.
- 71 6. The provisions of this section shall expire on December 31, 72 2026.

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