
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO HEALTH.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:

1 SECTION 1. Chapter 321, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2 amended by adding a new part to be appropriately designated and
3 to read as follows:

4 "PART . DEMENTIA

5 §321- Definitions. For the purposes of this part:

6 "Caregiver" means any person who has undertaken the care,
7 custody, or physical control of, or who has a legal or
8 contractual duty to care for the health, safety, or welfare of
9 another individual. "Caregiver" includes but is not limited to
10 owners, operators, employees, or staff of:

- 11 (1) Hospitals;
- 12 (2) Hospices;
- 13 (3) Adult residential care homes;
- 14 (4) Developmentally disabled domiciliary homes;
- 15 (5) Developmentally disabled adult foster homes;
- 16 (6) Intermediate care facilities;
- 17 (7) Skilled nursing facilities;



- 1 (8) Special treatment facilities;
- 2 (9) Assisted living facilities;
- 3 (10) Adult foster family homes;
- 4 (11) Adult day health care centers and adult day care
- 5 programs;
- 6 (12) Independent living centers;
- 7 (13) Long-term care facilities;
- 8 (14) Community care facilities for the elderly;
- 9 (15) Respite care facilities;
- 10 (16) Foster homes; and
- 11 (17) Private residences used for commercial purposes to
- 12 care for dependent elders.

13 "Department" means the department of health.

14 §321- Duties of department. The department shall study
15 and appraise the State's health needs and resources relating to
16 dementia and shall foster the development and expansion of
17 dementia training for caregivers. The department may:

- 18 (1) Conduct research, investigations, experiments,
- 19 demonstrations, and studies relating to the incidence,
- 20 causes, diagnosis, treatment, and prevention of
- 21 dementia; and

1 (2) Supervise, provide, and direct dementia health
2 services in the State.

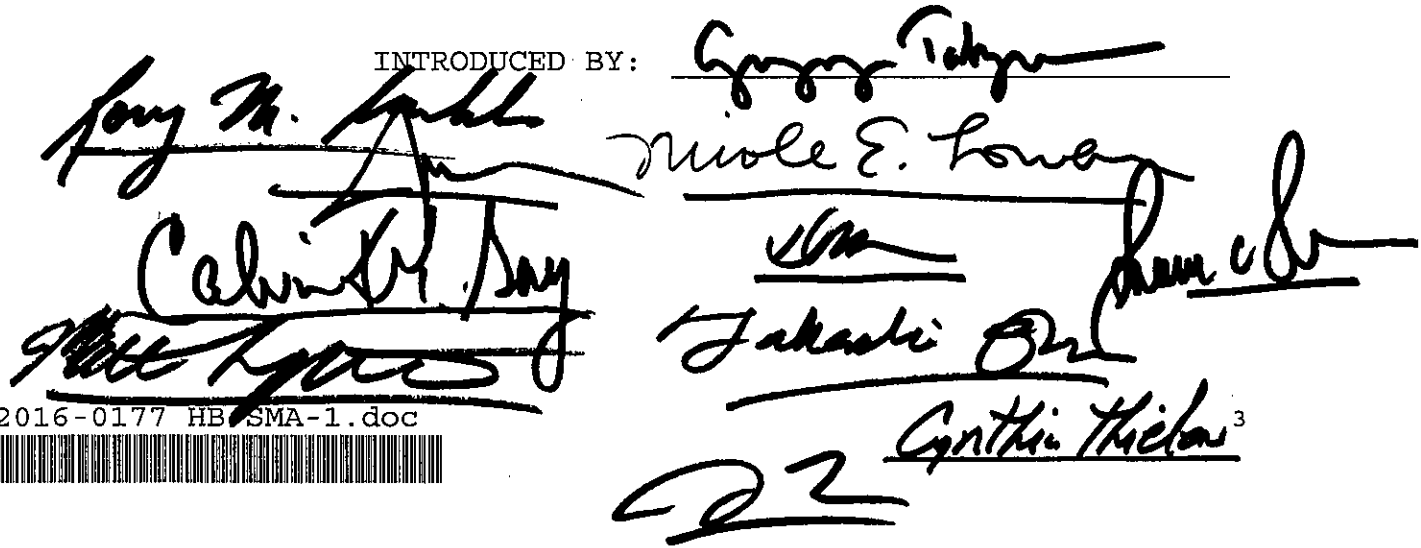
3 §321- Training; review. (a) The department shall
4 require training on dementia for all caregivers. Training shall
5 include orientation, basic training, specialty training as
6 appropriate, and continuing education. The department shall
7 require all facility employees and volunteers who routinely
8 interact with individuals with dementia to complete the
9 training.

10 (b) The department shall establish the criteria for all
11 levels of dementia training by June 1, 2018, and review the
12 efficacy of dementia training on an annual basis. The
13 department shall utilize recommendations from the state plan on
14 Alzheimer's disease and related dementias to establish criteria,
15 implementation of activities, and evaluation of activities."

16 SECTION 2. This Act shall take effect on June 1, 2017.

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Report Title:

Department of Health; Dementia; Training; Caregivers

Description:

Requires the department of health to require dementia training for caregivers. Requires the department to establish training criteria and annually review the training program. Takes effect on 6/1/2017.

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