

By the Committee on Appropriations; and Senators Perry and Stewart

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1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to Alzheimer's disease and related
3 forms of dementia education and public awareness;
4 creating s. 381.825, F.S.; providing a short title;
5 requiring the Department of Health to educate certain
6 health care practitioners regarding specified
7 information related to Alzheimer's disease and related
8 forms of dementia; providing an effective date.
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10 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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12 Section 1. Section 381.825, Florida Statutes, is created to
13 read:

14 381.825 Education and public awareness relating to
15 Alzheimer's disease and related forms of dementia.-

16 (1) This section may be cited as the "Ramping up Education
17 of Alzheimer's Disease and Dementia for You (READY) Act."

18 (2) The Department of Health shall, through existing,
19 relevant public health and community outreach programs, educate
20 health care practitioners licensed under chapters 458, 459, and
21 464 on all of the following:

22 (a) The importance of early detection and timely diagnosis
23 of Alzheimer's disease and related forms of dementia.

24 (b) Using a validated cognitive assessment tool.

25 (c) The value and effectiveness of the Medicare annual
26 wellness visit in detecting Alzheimer's disease and related
27 forms of dementia.

28 (d) Using Medicare advance care planning billing codes for
29 persons with Alzheimer's disease and related forms of dementia.

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30 (e) Reducing the risk of cognitive decline, particularly
31 among persons in diverse communities who are at greater risk of
32 developing Alzheimer's disease and related forms of dementia.

33 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2022.