A bill to be entitled

An act relating to the Alzheimer's Disease Awareness
Initiative; creating s. 430.505, F.S.; requiring the
Department of Elderly Affairs to contract for the
development and implementation of the Alzheimer's
Disease Awareness Initiative; providing requirements
for the initiative; providing requirements for the
type of entity with which the department contracts;
requiring the Alzheimer's Disease Advisory Committee
to make certain recommendations to the department and

the Legislature annually; providing an effective date.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

Section 1. Section 430.505, Florida Statutes, is created to read:

- 430.505 Alzheimer's Disease Awareness Initiative.—
- (1) The Department of Elderly Affairs shall contract for the development and implementation of the Alzheimer's Disease

 Awareness Initiative. The initiative must provide an opportunity for those affected by Alzheimer's disease and related forms of dementia in this state to benefit from greater support and obtain information that is validated in national research.
 - (2) The initiative must, at a minimum:
 - (a) Include a website and other related electronic

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26	resources that will address all of the following:
27	1. The advantages of early detection and diagnosis.
28	2. How to reduce risk factors.
29	3. The importance of brain health.
30	4. The importance of talking to a professional about being
31	screened and assessed for Alzheimer's Disease and related forms
32	of dementia.
33	5. How to promote healthy aging.
34	6. Recent progress in Alzheimer's research and the
35	availability of clinical trials.
36	7. Community resources available for those affected by the
37	disease and related forms of dementia.
38	8. Any related topics as deemed appropriate by the
39	Department of Elderly Affairs.
40	(b) Use the Department of Health's Alzheimer's Disease and
41	Related Dementias Resource Guide as a part of the initiative
42	materials.
43	(c) Promote health care provider education in partnership
44	with the Department of Health to help improve care and services
45	for patients with Alzheimer's disease and related forms of
46	dementia in accordance with s. 381.825.
47	(d) Use print, outdoor, and digital advertising, social
48	media platforms, and public events.
49	(e) Include a statewide mobile in-person outreach program

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that prioritizes those in underserved communities and provide

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information on issues relating to Alzheimer's disease and related forms of dementia, including, but not limited to, brain health, risk education, and early detection and diagnosis. The program may also provide referrals to the Department of Elderly Affairs and provide information regarding any available community resources relating to Alzheimer's disease and related forms of dementia.

- (3) (a) The entity with which the Department of Elderly Affairs contracts for the Alzheimer's Disease Awareness

 Initiative must be a statewide nonprofit organization that:
- 1. Has a history of focusing on those affected by Alzheimer's disease and related forms of dementia, care, support, and research including providing online resources to caregivers and people living with the disease and through community-based events.
- 2. Has the organizational capacity to manage a statewide initiative and successfully carry out the requirements of this section.
- (b) The entity must collaborate with other relevant agencies of state government and private organizations to develop and implement the initiative. Such agencies of state government must collaborate with the entity with which the department contracts to carry out the initiative.
- (4) The Alzheimer's Disease Advisory Committee shall annually evaluate and make recommendations to the Department of

76	Elderly Affairs and the Legislature concerning the need for
77	future funding for the Alzheimer's Disease Awareness Initiative
78	each year as a part of its annual report.

Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2026.

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