

Amendment No. 702

Assembly Amendment to Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 2	(BDR R-237)
Proposed by: Assembly Committee on Health and Human Services	
Amends: Summary: No Title: Yes Preamble: No Joint Sponsorship: No Digest: No	

ASSEMBLY ACTION		Initial and Date	SENATE ACTION		Initial and Date
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EXPLANATION: Matter in (1) *blue bold italics* is new language in the original bill; (2) variations of green bold underlining is language proposed to be added in this amendment; (3) ~~red strikethrough~~ is deleted language in the original bill; (4) ~~purple double strikethrough~~ is language proposed to be deleted in this amendment; (5) orange double underlining is deleted language in the original bill proposed to be retained in this amendment.

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Date: 5/11/2015

S.C.R. No. 2—Encourages education of medical care providers and first responders regarding caring for persons with Alzheimer’s disease.
(BDR R-237)



SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 2—SENATOR HARDY

FEBRUARY 19, 2015

Referred to Committee on Health and Human Services

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EXPLANATION – Matter in ***bolded italics*** is new; matter between brackets ~~omitted material~~ is material to be omitted.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION—Encouraging certain entities to approve ***require*** and provide educational programs relating to caring for persons with Alzheimer’s disease and other forms of dementia.

WHEREAS, Alzheimer’s disease is a progressive, degenerative brain disorder characterized by memory loss, language deterioration, poor judgment and indifferent attitude, but preserved motor function; and

WHEREAS, Alzheimer’s disease afflicts one out of every nine Americans over 65 years of age and is the sixth leading cause of death in the United States; and

WHEREAS, The number of Americans with Alzheimer’s disease and other dementias is expected to grow each year as the size and proportion of Americans over 65 years of age continues to increase; and

WHEREAS, The rapid rise in persons diagnosed with Alzheimer’s disease is already evident and is especially dramatic in Nevada, which in 2014 had an estimated 37,000 of its residents suffering from this debilitating affliction; and

WHEREAS, It is projected that by 2025 the number of residents of this State suffering from Alzheimer’s disease will increase by 73 percent to over 64,000 people; and

WHEREAS, Most persons with Alzheimer’s disease will survive for 4 to 8 years after diagnosis and may live as long as 20 years after the onset of symptoms; and

WHEREAS, In response to this growing crisis, the members of the 76th Session of the Nevada State Legislature adopted Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 10 directing the Legislative Committee on Health Care to create a task force to develop a state plan to address Alzheimer’s disease; and

WHEREAS, In January 2013, the Legislative Committee on Health Care delivered to the 77th Session of the Nevada Legislature a copy of the Nevada State Plan to Address Alzheimer’s Disease; and

WHEREAS, The State Plan identified a need to strengthen the multidisciplinary workforce that cares for persons with Alzheimer’s disease and other dementias and maintain a dementia-competent workforce in Nevada; and

WHEREAS, The State Plan identified several educational challenges to strengthening and maintaining the workforce that cares for persons with Alzheimer’s disease and other dementias in this State and proposed recommendations to address these challenges; now, therefore, be it

1 RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, THE ASSEMBLY
2 CONCURRING, That the members of the 78th Session of the Nevada State
3 Legislature hereby encourage the Board of Medical Examiners, the State Board of
4 Osteopathic Medicine, the State Board of Nursing, professional associations of
5 health care providers and educational institutions to incentivize and promote
6 awareness and education of health care providers by:

7 1. Approving or requiring, as applicable, continuing education programs
8 that provide primary care physicians and other allied health care professionals with
9 ongoing education and training about recent developments, research and treatments
10 of Alzheimer's disease and other forms of dementia;

11 2. Encouraging primary care physicians to refer persons with cognitive
12 deficits for specialized cognitive testing when appropriate; and

13 3. Encouraging primary care physicians to refer persons with dementia and
14 their families to dementia-related community resources and supportive programs;
15 and be it further

16 RESOLVED, That the members of the 78th Session of the Nevada State
17 Legislature hereby encourage schools in Nevada with programs in nursing and
18 other health care professions to ensure that the programs include specific training
19 regarding Alzheimer's disease and other forms of dementia in their curriculum and
20 expand related continuing education opportunities for nurses and other health care
21 professionals in the acute care setting; and be it further

22 RESOLVED, That the members of the 78th Session of the Nevada State
23 Legislature hereby encourage the promotion of training and educational
24 opportunities that are conducted by or in consultation with the Division of Public
25 and Behavioral Health of the Department of Health and Human Services and
26 related to Alzheimer's disease and other forms of dementia for all levels of medical
27 personnel in a hospital, including, without limitation, emergency-room personnel
28 and others responsible for admission and discharge; and be it further

29 RESOLVED, That the members of the 78th Session of the Nevada State
30 Legislature hereby encourage first responders and law enforcement and fire
31 department personnel to attend an amount and type of training adequate to help
32 them assess and learn how to respond to people with Alzheimer's disease and other
33 forms of dementia; and be it further

34 RESOLVED, That the Secretary of the Senate prepare and transmit a copy of this
35 resolution to the Governor, each member of the Board of Medical Examiners, each
36 member of the State Board of Osteopathic Medicine, each member of the State
37 Board of Nursing, each member of the Board of Regents of the University of
38 Nevada, the dean or provost of each school of medicine or nursing located in this
39 State, and the Director of the Department of Public Safety and the State Fire
40 Marshal for distribution to each fire chief, chief of police and sheriff in this State,
41 and to the Administrator of the Division of Public and Behavioral Health of the
42 Department of Health and Human Services.