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AN ACT to amend the elder law, in relation to establishing a dementia and Alzheimer's disease program database

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, REPRESENTED IN SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

- 1 Section 1. The elder law is amended by adding a new section 224 to
2 read as follows:
- 3 S 224. DEMENTIA AND ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE PROGRAM DATABASE. 1. DEFINI-
4 NITIONS. FOR THE PURPOSES OF THIS SECTION, THE TERMS:
- 5 (A) "ELDERLY PERSONS" SHALL MEAN INDIVIDUALS AGED SIXTY YEARS OF AGE
6 OR OLDER.
- 7 (B) "PROGRAMS" SHALL MEAN PROGRAMS, METHODOLOGIES, OR SERVICES THAT
8 ARE PROVIDED BY A PUBLIC, GOVERNMENTAL, NON-PROFIT, OR FOR-PROFIT AGENCY
9 TO ELDERLY PERSONS IN THEIR HOME OR IN A COMMUNITY SETTING.
- 10 2. THE OFFICE, IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, SHALL
11 DEVELOP AND MAINTAIN A DATABASE OF PROGRAMS THAT HAVE BEEN SHOWN TO BE
12 SUCCESSFUL IN SUPPORTING AND TREATING ELDERLY PERSONS SUFFERING FROM
13 DEMENTIA OR ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE.
- 14 (A) THE DIRECTOR, IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE COMMISSIONER OF HEALTH,
15 SHALL DEVELOP CRITERIA TO DETERMINE IF A PROGRAM SHALL BE CONSIDERED
16 SUCCESSFUL AND BE INCLUDED IN THE DATABASE.
- 17 (B) THE DIRECTOR, IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE COMMISSIONER OF HEALTH, MAY
18 CONSULT WITH PUBLIC, GOVERNMENTAL, NON-PROFIT, AND FOR-PROFIT AGENCIES
19 TO DETERMINE WHICH PROGRAMS ARE CONSIDERED SUCCESSFUL.
- 20 3. THE DATABASE CREATED PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION SHALL BE MADE AVAIL-
21 ABLE ON THE OFFICE'S WEBSITE. THE INFORMATION FROM THE DATABASE THAT
22 SHALL BE ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC SHALL INCLUDE BUT NOT BE LIMITED TO:
- 23 (A) CONTACT INFORMATION FOR THE PERSON OR ENTITY THROUGH WHOM THE
24 PROGRAM IS PROVIDED;
- 25 (B) THE NAME OF THE PROGRAM, WHERE APPLICABLE;

EXPLANATION--Matter in *ITALICS* (underscored) is new; matter in brackets [] is old law to be omitted.

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1 (C) A BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE PROGRAM; AND

2 (D) THE GEOGRAPHIC AREA IN WHICH THE PROGRAM IS PROVIDED OR OFFERED.

3 4. THE DATABASE CREATED PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION SHALL BE UPDATED BY
4 THE OFFICE, IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, AT LEAST ONCE
5 ANNUALLY.

6 S 2. This act shall take effect one year after it shall have become a
7 law; provided, however, that the addition, amendment and/or repeal of
8 any rule or regulation necessary for the implementation of this act on
9 its effective date is authorized and directed to be made and completed
10 on or before such effective date.