COMMITTEE REPORT

April 4, 2019

**S. 205**

Introduced by Senators Young, Martin, Setzler and Shealy

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Read the first time January 23, 2019.

**THE COMMITTEE ON MEDICAL,**

**MILITARY, PUBLIC AND MUNICIPAL AFFAIRS**

To whom was referred a Bill (S. 205) to amend Section 44-36-320 of the 1976 Code, relating to the duties of the Alzheimer’s disease and related disorders Resource Coordination Center, to provide for an additional, etc., respectfully

**REPORT:**

That they have duly and carefully considered the same and recommend that the same do pass:

LEON HOWARD for Committee.

**STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT**

**Explanation of Fiscal Impact**

**Introduced on January 8, 2019**

**State Expenditure**

This bill provides an additional duty to the Department of Aging’s Resource Coordination Center to facilitate the coordination of educational initiatives for health care providers on the early detection of Alzheimer’s disease and related disorders. This bill charges the Department of Aging with additional responsibilities that the agency is able to accomplish by assigning duties among existing staff and by using existing equipment and supplies. Therefore, the bill will have no expenditure impact on the general fund, other funds, or federal funds.

Frank A. Rainwater, Executive Director

Revenue and Fiscal Affairs Office

**A** **BILL**

TO AMEND SECTION 44-36-320 OF THE 1976 CODE, RELATING TO THE DUTIES OF THE ALZHEIMER’S DISEASE AND RELATED DISORDERS RESOURCE COORDINATION CENTER, TO PROVIDE FOR AN ADDITIONAL DUTY TO FACILITATE AND COORDINATE EARLY DETECTION EDUCATIONAL INITIATIVES FOR HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of South Carolina:

SECTION 1. Section 44-36-320 of the 1976 Code is amended by adding an appropriately numbered new item to read:

“( ) facilitate the coordination and integration of educational initiatives for health care providers on the importance and value of early detection and timely diagnosis of cognitive impairment, validated cognitive assessment tools, and increasing understanding and awareness of early warning signs of Alzheimer’s disease and other types of dementia and how to reduce the risk of cognitive decline.”

SECTION 2. This act takes effect upon approval by the Governor.

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