

Department of Planning and Budget 2013 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: SB 953

House of Origin	☒ Introduced	☐ Substitute	☐ Engrossed
Second House	☐ In Committee	☐ Substitute	☐ Enrolled

2. Patron: Ruff

3. Committee: Rehabilitation and Social Services

4. Title: Responsibilities related to Alzheimer's disease and related disorders

5. Summary: The bill expands the duties of the Department for Aging and Rehabilitative Services (DARS) related to services for individuals with Alzheimer's disease and related disorders and their caregivers. Currently, DARS serves as a referral point and provides information and counseling about services and programs for individuals and families dealing with Alzheimer's disease and related disorders. This bill requires DARS, related to Alzheimer's disease and related disorders, to: (1) collect and monitor data; (2) evaluate the needs of individuals and their caregivers; (3) recommend strategies for coordination of services between state agencies; (4) monitor development and implementation of the state plan; and (5) recommend policies, legislation, and funding necessary to implement the state plan.

6. Budget Amendment Necessary: No.

7. Fiscal Impact Estimates: Minimal. See Item 8.

8. Fiscal Implications: The bill adds to the duties of DARS related to Alzheimer's disease and related disorders. These additional duties will require staff resources in order for the agency to carry out. DARS has indicated that these additional duties can be handled with current staff. There may be some minor expenses related to these additional duties, but any such costs are expected to be minimal and absorbed within the current budget for DARS. Therefore, no budget amendment is necessary.

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: Department for Aging and Rehabilitative Services.

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No.

11. Other Comments: None.

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