

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE BILL ANALYSIS

AMENDMENT DATE: June 18, 2008
POSITION: Oppose
SPONSOR: Alzheimer's Association

BILL NUMBER: SB 491
AUTHOR: E. Alquist
RELATED BILLS: SB 321

BILL SUMMARY

This bill would expand the membership of the Alzheimer's Disease and Related Disorders Advisory Committee within the California Health and Human Services Agency (HHSA) and require the Committee to develop an Alzheimer's Disease Strategic Plan for the years 2010 to 2020, inclusive. The plan would be due to the Governor and the Legislature by December 31, 2009.

FISCAL SUMMARY

The bill provides that not more than \$50,000 of General Fund moneys would be allowed for expenditure associated with the bill and that the funding must be derived from existing resources. The HHSA estimates the cost to develop the Alzheimer's Disease Strategic Plan would be \$199,000 for support costs associated with staff, printing, and consulting services. The HHSA has not identified resources for redirection to cover the one-time costs. The HHSA is planning to meet with several private charitable foundations to seek additional resources.

COMMENTS

Finance opposes this bill because it would create additional General Fund pressures during a time of fiscal constraint.

While the bill places a cap of \$50,000 General Fund with restrictions that the moneys must come from redirections, the total estimated costs to develop the Alzheimer's Strategic Plan is \$199,000. The state has not obtained the necessary assurances that no new General Fund resources would be required.

Code/Department Agency or Revenue Type	SO	(Fiscal Impact by Fiscal Year)								Fund Code
	LA	(Dollars in Thousands)								
	CO	PROP								
	RV	98	FC	2007-2008	FC	2008-2009	FC	2009-2010		
0530/Secty H&HS	SO	No		--	C	\$128	C	\$71		0001

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