

REFERENCE TITLE: **lifespan respite care program**

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SB 1317

Introduced by
Senator Allen

AN ACT

**AMENDING TITLE 46, CHAPTER 1, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES, BY ADDING ARTICLE 6;
MAKING AN APPROPRIATION; RELATING TO THE LIFESPAN RESPITE CARE PROGRAM.**

(TEXT OF BILL BEGINS ON NEXT PAGE)

1 Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Arizona:

2 Section 1. Title 46, chapter 1, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended
3 by adding article 6, to read:

4 ARTICLE 6. LIFESPAN RESPITE CARE PROGRAM

5 46-171. Definitions

6 IN THIS ARTICLE, UNLESS THE CONTEXT OTHERWISE REQUIRES:

7 1. "LIFESPAN RESPITE CARE" MEANS A COORDINATED SYSTEM OF ACCESSIBLE,
8 COMMUNITY BASED RESPITE CARE SERVICES FOR FAMILY CAREGIVERS OF CHILDREN OR
9 ADULTS WITH SPECIAL NEEDS.

10 2. "RESPITE CARE" MEANS SHORT-TERM CARE AND SUPERVISION SERVICES THAT
11 ARE PROVIDED TO AN INDIVIDUAL TO RELIEVE THE INDIVIDUAL'S CAREGIVER.

12 46-172. Lifespan respite care program; program termination

13 A. THE DEPARTMENT SHALL ESTABLISH A LIFESPAN RESPITE CARE PROGRAM.

14 B. THE LIFESPAN RESPITE CARE PROGRAM SHALL:

15 1. ESTABLISH A RESPITE PROGRAM FOR PRIMARY CAREGIVERS OF INDIVIDUALS
16 WHO DO NOT CURRENTLY QUALIFY FOR OTHER PUBLICLY FUNDED RESPITE SERVICES.

17 2. COORDINATE WITH OTHER RESPITE SERVICES, INCLUDING SERVICES THAT ARE
18 PROVIDED PURSUANT TO TITLE 36, CHAPTER 5.1 AND SECTIONS 36-2939, 36-3407 AND
19 46-193.

20 3. SUPPORT THE GROWTH AND MAINTENANCE OF A STATEWIDE RESPITE
21 COALITION.

22 4. CONDUCT A STUDY ON THE NEED FOR RESPITE CARE THROUGHOUT THE
23 LIFESPAN OF INDIVIDUALS.

24 5. IDENTIFY LOCAL TRAINING RESOURCES FOR RESPITE CARE PROVIDERS.

25 6. LINK FAMILIES WITH RESPITE CARE PROVIDERS AND OTHER TYPES OF
26 RESPITE CAREGIVER CONSULTANTS.

27 7. CREATE AN EVALUATION TOOL FOR RECIPIENTS OF RESPITE CARE TO ASSURE
28 QUALITY OF CARE.

29 C. THE PROGRAM ESTABLISHED BY THIS SECTION ENDS ON JULY 1, 2017
30 PURSUANT TO SECTION 41-3102.

31 46-173. Lifespan respite care advisory committee

32 THE DEPARTMENT SHALL ESTABLISH AN ADVISORY COMMITTEE THAT INCLUDES
33 FAMILY CAREGIVERS AND RESPITE CARE PROVIDERS TO ADVISE THE LIFESPAN RESPITE
34 CARE PROGRAM ON RESPITE CARE MATTERS.

35 Sec. 2. Appropriation; lifespan respite care program; exemption

36 A. The sum of \$500,000 and 1 FTE position are appropriated from the
37 state general fund in fiscal year 2007-2008 to the department of economic
38 security for the purposes of the lifespan respite care program established by
39 section 46-172, Arizona Revised Statutes, as added by this act.

40 B. The appropriation made in subsection A of this section is exempt
41 from the provisions of section 35-190, Arizona Revised Statutes, relating to
42 lapsing of appropriations.