

BILL ANALYSIS

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AUTHOR'S / SPONSOR'S STATEMENT OF INTENT

The establishment of Alzheimer's Awareness day acknowledges the lack of public knowledge about those suffering from dementia in the State of Texas. We hope through the establishment of a state holiday we can help spread awareness and bring attention to the terrible affliction affecting thousands of Texans all over the state.

This holiday also seeks to thank caregivers of Alzheimer's patients who work a strenuous and stressful job helping those afflicted by the disease. It also seeks to recognize both national and global efforts to spread awareness by establishing the holiday to coincide with the National Alzheimer's Awareness day.

H.B. 3773 amends current law relating to designating September 21 as Alzheimer's Awareness Day.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

This bill does not expressly grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, institution, or agency.

SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS

SECTION 1. Amends Subchapter C, Chapter 662, Government Code, by adding Section 662.083, as follows:

Sec. 662.083. ALZHEIMER'S AWARENESS DAY. (a) Provides that September 21 is Alzheimer's Awareness Day to increase awareness of individuals who are suffering from dementia and to express appreciation to the caregivers of Alzheimer's patients for the services and care provided to the patients.

(b) Requires that Alzheimer's Awareness Day be regularly observed by appropriate programs and activities.

SECTION 2. Effective date: September 1, 2021.