

ENROLLED ACT NO. 91, SENATE

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2011 GENERAL SESSION

AN ACT relating to the Wyoming Long Term Care Choices Act; authorizing a statewide network of aging and disability resource centers as specified; providing an appropriation; and providing for effective dates.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Wyoming:

Section 1. W.S. 42-6-109 is created to read:

42-6-109. Aging and disability resource centers.

(a) The department is authorized, using competitive grants and contracts, to fund a statewide network of aging and disability resource centers.

(b) Locations of the aging and disability resource centers shall be determined by the department of health, aging division. In selecting locations for aging and disability resource centers, the department of health, aging division, shall require a degree of local community funding, which may include in kind contributions, for a center.

(c) The purpose of each center shall be to create a single, coordinated system of information and assistance for all persons seeking long term support. Each center shall assist eligible persons in making informed decisions about health care access and long term care service and support options and shall serve as a referral agency to the long term care support system. Centers shall provide information and assistance to individuals needing either public or private resources, professionals seeking assistance on behalf of their clients and individuals planning for their future long term care needs.

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(d) The department of health, aging division, shall provide an annual report beginning October 1, 2011, to the joint labor, health and social services interim committee and the joint appropriations interim committee concerning implementation of the aging and disability resource centers, the dollar value of local contributions and cost avoidance as provided in this section.

Section 2. W.S. 42-6-102(a)(xi) is amended to read:

42-6-102. Definitions.

(a) As used in this act:

(xi) "This act" means W.S. 42-6-101 through ~~42-6-108~~ 42-6-109.

Section 3. There is appropriated two hundred thousand dollars (\$200,000.00) from the general fund to the department of health. This appropriation shall be for the period beginning with the effective date of this act and ending June 30, 2012. This appropriation shall only be expended for the purpose of funding and administering aging and disability resource centers pursuant to W.S. 42-6-109. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, this appropriation shall not be transferred or expended for any other purpose and any unexpended, unobligated funds remaining from this appropriation shall revert as provided by law on June 30, 2012.

Section 4.

(a) Section 3 of this act is effective immediately upon completion of all acts necessary for a bill to become

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law as provided by Article 4, Section 8 of the Wyoming
Constitution.

(b) Except as provided in subsection (a) of this
section, this act is effective July 1, 2011.

(END)

Speaker of the House

President of the Senate

Governor

TIME APPROVED: _____

DATE APPROVED: _____

I hereby certify that this act originated in the Senate.

Chief Clerk