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A BILL

]	enact section 173.041 of the Revised Code to	То
2	establish dementia training requirements for	
3	long-term services and supports providers.	

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF OHIO:

Section 1. That section 173.041 of the Revised Code be	4
enacted to read as follows:	5
Sec. 173.041. (A) As used in this section:	6
(1) "Community-based long-term care services" has the same	7
meaning as in section 173.14 of the Revised Code.	8
(2) "Community-based long-term care services provider"	9
means a person or government entity that provides community-	10
<pre>based long-term care services.</pre>	11
(3) "Dementia" includes Alzheimer's disease or a related	12
disorder.	13
(4) "Employee" means an individual engaged in activities	14
for compensation on behalf of a long-term services and supports	15
provider or its arranged health and social service providers.	16

"Employee" includes an independent contractor.	17
(5) "Indirect-care staff" means an individual who works in	18
a position that does not involve providing direct care.	19
"Indirect-care staff" includes maintenance, housekeeping, food	20
service, and administrative staff.	21
(6) "Long-term care facility" means both of the following:	22
(a) A long-term care facility as defined in section	23
3702.51 of the Revised Code;	24
(b) A residential care facility as defined in section	25
3721.01 of the Revised Code.	26
(7) "Long-term services and supports provider" means a	27
long-term care facility or a community-based long-term care	28
services provider.	29
(8) "Supervisor" means an individual who supervises	30
direct-care staff.	31
(B) If a long-term services and supports provider has a	32
special program or special care unit for individuals with	33
dementia or advertises, markets, or otherwise promotes itself as	34
providing services for individuals with dementia, the employees	35
described in division (C) of this section shall complete, at	36
minimum, the training described in that division.	37
(C)(1) Supervisors shall complete the following	38
<pre>instruction:</pre>	39
(a) Eight hours in the topics listed in division (D) of	40
this section within the first one hundred twenty hours of work	41
for the long-term services and supports provider. At least two	42
of the eight hours shall be completed within the first forty	43
hours of work.	44

(b) Two hours annually in topics related to dementia care,	45
beginning in the first full calendar year after completion of	46
the instruction required by division (C)(1)(a) of this section.	47
(2) Direct-care staff shall complete the following	48
<pre>instruction:</pre>	49
(a) Eight hours in the topics listed in division (D) of	50
this section within the first one hundred twenty hours of work	51
with the long-term services and supports provider. At least four	52
of the eight hours shall be completed within the first forty	53
hours of work.	54
(b) Two hours annually in topics related to dementia care,	55
beginning in the first full calendar year after completion of	56
the instruction required by division (C)(2)(a) of this section.	57
(3) Indirect-care staff shall complete the following	58
<pre>instruction:</pre>	59
(a) Four hours in the topics listed in division (D) of	60
this section within the first one hundred sixty hours of work	61
with the long-term services and supports provider;	62
(b) Two hours annually in topics related to dementia care,	63
beginning in the first full calendar year after completion of	64
the instruction required by division (C)(3)(a) of this section.	65
(D) The instruction required under division (C) of this	66
section shall include all of the following topics:	67
(1) The long-term services and supports provider's	68
mission, values, and expectations of staff;	69
(2) Person-centered training and care planning, including	70
cultural awareness;	71

(3) Social and physical environment characteristics that	72
trigger or exacerbate behavioral and psychological symptoms of	73
<pre>dementia;</pre>	74
(4) Meaningful and engaging activities for individuals	75
with dementia;	76
(5) Pain assessment;	77
(6) Medication management;	78
(7) Family dynamics;	79
(8) General information about dementia;	80
(9) How to assist an individual with dementia with daily	81
living activities, including evaluating preferences and goals;	82
(10) Problem solving challenging behavior, including	83
nonpharmacological intervention;	8 4
(11) Communication skills.	85
(E) (1) The instruction required by division (C) of this	86
section shall be evidence-based, include competency evaluations,	87
and utilize interactive learning techniques such as experiential	88
exercises, case studies, and group discussions.	8.9
(2) Not more than four of the eight hours of instruction	90
required by divisions (C)(1)(a) and (2)(a) of this section shall	91
be completed by unfacilitated online or video presentations. Not	92
more than two of the four hours of instruction required by	93
division (C)(3)(a) of this section shall be completed by	94
unfacilitated online or video presentations.	95
(F)(1) No person shall provide direct care to an	96
individual with dementia on behalf of a long-term services and	97
supports provider if the person has not completed the initial	98

four hours of instruction required by division (C)(2)(a) of this	99
section, unless directly supervised by a staff member who has	100
completed the initial four hours of that instruction.	101
(2) A long-term services and supports provider shall	102
ensure that a supervisor who has completed the instruction	103
required by division (C)(1) of this section is available to	104
consult with direct-care staff members who have not yet	105
completed the instruction required by division (C)(2)(a) of this	106
section.	107
(G) A long-term services and supports provider shall	108
provide to consumers information about the provider's dementia	109
training program, including information about the categories of	110
employees instructed, the content of the instruction, and the	111
frequency of the instruction. The information shall be in	112
written format and may be provided electronically.	113