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Arizona Legislature Passes Representative Tim Dunn's Bill to Enhance Memory Care Services

STATE CAPITOL, PHOENIX – State Representative Tim Dunn announced today that [House Bill 2764](#), legislation he sponsored to improve the lives of our state's most vulnerable citizens, has successfully passed the Legislature with bipartisan support and awaits the Governor's signature.

HB 2764 is designed to fundamentally improve memory care services in Arizona by establishing training standards for assisted living facilities licensed to provide directed care services. The legislation directs the Arizona Department of Health Services to create and enforce comprehensive rules regarding the oversight of health care institutions, specifically focusing on enhancing the quality of care for individuals with dementia and other memory-related conditions.

"The memory care patient population continues to rise in Arizona, and our state needs to be a leader in providing high-quality services," said Representative Dunn. **"HB 2764 ensures that individuals with memory care needs receive the highest standard of compassionate and competent care. It establishes training requirements for memory care services and, importantly, will help cut down on bad actors in the industry. I look forward to Governor Hobbs signing the bill so we can implement these necessary reforms and improvements and raise the standard of care and protection that our most vulnerable citizens deserve."**

Key provisions include:

- The establishment of minimum memory care services training standards for staff and contractors, ensuring they are well-equipped to provide specialized care to residents with dementia and other memory-related conditions.
- The creation of the Vulnerable Adult System Study Committee to evaluate and recommend improvements in care.
- An increase in civil penalties for non-compliance with health care statutes.
- Prohibits bad actor facilities from hiding or erasing violation history.
- Requires employers to ensure staff isn't on the Adult Protective Services registry which lists persons who have abused or neglected a vulnerable adult.

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