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THIRD READING

Bill No: SCR 80

Author: Niello (R), et al. Amended: 7/8/25 in Senate

Vote: 21

SUBJECT: Frontotemporal Degeneration Awareness Week

SOURCE: Author

DIGEST: This resolution declares the week of September 21 to September 28, 2025, inclusive, as Frontotemporal Degeneration Awareness Week.

Senate Floor Amendments of 7/8/25 add coauthors and make a technical change.

ANALYSIS: This resolution makes the following legislative findings:

- 1) The Association for Frontotemporal Degeneration (AFTD) reports that Frontotemporal Degeneration (FTD) is a terminal and incurable neurodegenerative disease affecting the frontal and temporal lobes, causing impairments to speech, personality, behavior, and motor skills that constitutes a major public health concern.
- 2) It takes an average of 3.6 years from the initial symptoms to get an accurate diagnosis of FTD, with an average life expectancy of 7 to 13 years after the initial symptoms. FTD strikes people as young as 21 years of age and as old as 80 years of age, with the largest percentage of those affected being in their 40s to 60s, rendering people in the prime of life unable to work or function normally.
- 3) While there has never been a global epidemiology study of FTD, it is estimated that more than 60,000 people are affected in the United States today.
- 4) It is imperative that there be greater awareness of this serious disease, and more must be done to increase activity at the local, state, and national levels.

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Related/Prior Legislation

SCR 116 (Jones, Resolution Chapter 96, Statutes of 2024).

FISCAL EFFECT: Appropriation: No Fiscal Com.: No Local: No

SUPPORT: (Verified 7/9/25)

None received

OPPOSITION: (Verified 7/9/25)

None received

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