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CHAPTER 237

HOUSE BILL 2301

AN ACT

REPEALING SECTION 15-1752, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES; AMENDING SECTION 15-1753, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES, AS AMENDED BY LAWS 1995, CHAPTER 207, SECTION 2; REPEALING SECTION 15-1753, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES, AS AMENDED BY LAWS 1995, CHAPTER 207, SECTION 3; AMENDING TITLE 15, CHAPTER 13, ARTICLE 9, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES, BY ADDING SECTION 15-1754; RELATING TO HEALTH PROFESSIONS EDUCATION.

1 Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Arizona:

2 Section 1. Repeal

3 Section 15-1752, Arizona Revised Statutes, is repealed.

4 Sec. 2. Section 15-1753, Arizona Revised Statutes, as amended by Laws
5 1995, chapter 207, section 2, is amended to read:

6 15-1753. Primary care disciplines; definition

7 A. The university of Arizona school of medicine shall prepare a plan
8 with the goal of encouraging students to enter the primary care disciplines.
9 At least sixty per cent of the residency positions available at the
10 university of Arizona school of medicine shall be reserved for medical school
11 graduates entering programs defined as primary care disciplines of which at
12 least twelve per cent of the residency positions available at the university
13 of Arizona school of medicine shall be reserved for medical school graduates
14 entering the family medicine program.

15 B. Beginning October 1, 1995 and each year thereafter, the university
16 of Arizona shall submit a report to the president of the senate and the
17 speaker of the house of representatives. The report shall include the number

1 of residents who graduated from the university of Arizona in a primary care
2 discipline and who are practicing in primary care and the number who have
3 elected to enter into specialty practices.

4 C. The information provided in subsection B of this section shall be
5 made available to the chairmen of the appropriations committees in the house
6 of representatives and the senate for their use in future funding decisions
7 for the university of Arizona medical school.

8 D. For purposes of this section, "primary care disciplines" ~~has the~~
9 ~~same meaning as prescribed in section 15-1752, subsection D~~ INCLUDES FAMILY
10 MEDICINE, GENERAL INTERNAL MEDICINE, GENERAL PEDIATRICS, OBSTETRICS AND
11 GYNECOLOGY.

12 Sec. 3. Repeal

13 Section 15-1753, Arizona Revised Statutes, as amended by Laws 1995,
14 chapter 207, section 3, is repealed.

15 Sec. 4. Title 15, chapter 13, article 9, Arizona Revised Statutes, is
16 amended by adding section 15-1754, to read:

17 15-1754. Rural health professions program; definition

18 A. THE THREE UNIVERSITIES UNDER THE JURISDICTION OF THE ARIZONA BOARD
19 OF REGENTS SHALL SELECT TEN NURSE PRACTITIONER STUDENTS, FIFTEEN MEDICAL
20 STUDENTS AND FOUR PHARMACY STUDENTS EACH YEAR TO PARTICIPATE IN A RURAL
21 HEALTH PROFESSIONS PROGRAM. THE THREE UNIVERSITIES SHALL DEVELOP APPLICATION
22 PROCEDURES FOR STUDENTS TO APPLY FOR VOLUNTARY PARTICIPATION IN THE PROGRAM.
23 THE THREE UNIVERSITIES SHALL ATTEMPT TO ENSURE THAT EACH INDIVIDUAL
24 PARTICIPATING STUDENT BE ABLE TO FULFILL THE PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS IN A SINGLE
25 RURAL PRACTICE SETTING.

26 B. THE UNIVERSITY OF ARIZONA SHALL CHOOSE THE FIFTEEN MEDICAL
27 STUDENTS, FOUR PHARMACY STUDENTS AND FOUR NURSE PRACTITIONER STUDENTS,
28 ARIZONA STATE UNIVERSITY SHALL CHOOSE FOUR NURSE PRACTITIONER STUDENTS, AND
29 NORTHERN ARIZONA UNIVERSITY SHALL CHOOSE TWO NURSE PRACTITIONER STUDENTS WHO
30 WILL PARTICIPATE AT THE RESPECTIVE UNIVERSITIES.

31 C. PHARMACY STUDENTS AND MEDICAL STUDENTS SELECTED TO PARTICIPATE IN
32 THE PROGRAM SHALL BE PLACED IN A RURAL PRACTICE OR RURAL LOCATION IN THIS
33 STATE. EACH PLACEMENT SHALL BE FOR A DURATION OF AT LEAST ONE MONTH AND SHALL
34 OCCUR DURING THE SUMMER MONTHS BETWEEN ACADEMIC YEARS, AS PART OF THE
35 REQUIRED CURRICULUM DURING A CLINICAL CLERKSHIP AND IN THE FINAL YEAR OF
36 TRAINING.

37 D. NURSE PRACTITIONER STUDENTS SELECTED TO PARTICIPATE IN THE PROGRAM
38 SHALL BE PLACED IN A RURAL PRACTICE OR RURAL LOCATION IN THIS STATE DURING
39 THE SUMMER MONTHS BETWEEN THE FIRST AND SECOND YEAR OF THEIR ACADEMIC
40 INSTRUCTION. A PARTICIPATING NURSE PRACTITIONER STUDENT'S INTERNSHIP SHALL
41 ALSO BE CONDUCTED IN A CLINICAL SETTING LOCATED IN A RURAL AREA OF THIS
42 STATE.

43 E. STUDENTS WHO PARTICIPATE IN THE PROGRAM SHALL BE TEAMED WITH TWO
44 MENTORS THROUGHOUT THEIR PERIOD OF ACADEMIC INSTRUCTION. THE MENTORS SHALL

1 PROVIDE GUIDANCE AND COUNSELING TO STUDENTS WHO PARTICIPATE IN THE PROGRAM
2 CONCERNING THE FULFILLMENT OF RURAL HEALTH PROFESSIONS PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS,
3 THE SELECTION OF ELECTIVE CURRICULA AND THE SELECTION OF RESIDENCY PROGRAMS
4 OR INTERNSHIPS. ONE OF THE FACULTY MENTORS SHALL BE A PHYSICIAN, PHARMACIST
5 OR NURSE WHO WORKS CLOSELY WITH THE PARTICIPATING STUDENT DURING THE
6 STUDENT'S RURAL PLACEMENT, AND ONE OF THE MENTORS SHALL BE A FACULTY MEMBER
7 OF THE UNIVERSITY WHERE THE PROGRAM PARTICIPANT IS ENROLLED. AT LEAST ONE
8 OF THE MENTORS SHALL BE AVAILABLE AT ALL TIMES TO SUPPORT THE STUDENT'S
9 INTEREST IN RURAL HEALTH CARE.

10 F. FOR PURPOSES OF THIS SECTION, "RURAL" MEANS EITHER:

11 1. A COUNTY WITH A POPULATION OF LESS THAN FOUR HUNDRED THOUSAND
12 PERSONS ACCORDING TO THE MOST RECENT UNITED STATES DECENNIAL CENSUS.

13 2. A CENSUS COUNTY DIVISION WITH LESS THAN FIFTY THOUSAND PERSONS IN
14 A COUNTY WITH A POPULATION OF FOUR HUNDRED THOUSAND OR MORE PERSONS ACCORDING
15 TO THE MOST RECENT UNITED STATES DECENNIAL CENSUS.

APPROVED BY THE GOVERNOR APRIL 20, 1996.

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