
SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 5615

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By Senate Higher Education (originally sponsored by Senators Frockt, Becker, Cleveland, Keiser, Kohl-Welles, Schlicher, Kline, Conway, and Chase)

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1 AN ACT Relating to the health professional loan repayment and
2 scholarship program; and amending RCW 28B.76.090 and 28B.115.030.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 28B.76.090 and 2012 c 229 s 401 are each amended to
5 read as follows:

6 (1) The office of student financial assistance is created within
7 and under the direction of the student achievement council.

8 (2) The purpose of the office is to administer state and federal
9 financial aid and other education services programs, including the
10 advanced college tuition payment program in chapter 28B.95 RCW, in a
11 cost-effective manner.

12 (3) The office shall also solicit and accept grants and donations
13 from public and private sources for the health professional loan
14 repayment and scholarship program as required under RCW 28B.115.030.

15 **Sec. 2.** RCW 28B.115.030 and 2011 1st sp.s. c 11 s 205 are each
16 amended to read as follows:

17 The health professional loan repayment and scholarship program is
18 established for credentialed health professionals and residents serving

1 in health professional shortage areas. The program shall be
2 administered by the office. In administering this program, the office
3 shall:

4 (1) Select credentialed health care professionals and residents to
5 participate in the loan repayment portion of the loan repayment and
6 scholarship program and select eligible students to participate in the
7 scholarship portion of the loan repayment and scholarship program;

8 (2) Adopt rules and develop guidelines to administer the program;

9 (3) Collect and manage repayments from participants who do not meet
10 their service obligations under this chapter;

11 (4) Publicize the program, particularly to maximize participation
12 among individuals in shortage areas and among populations expected to
13 experience the greatest growth in the workforce;

14 (5) Contract with a fund-raiser to solicit and accept grants and
15 donations from public and private sources for the program. The fund-
16 raiser must be paid on a contingency fee basis, which shall be based on
17 the total funds raised by the fund-raiser for the program each year.
18 The amount the fund-raiser is paid must not exceed fifteen percent of
19 the total amount raised for the program each year; and

20 (6) Develop criteria for a contract for service in lieu of the
21 service obligation where appropriate, that may be a combination of
22 service and payment.

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