

Senate Engrossed House Bill

health care workforce; grant programs

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CHAPTER 330

HOUSE BILL 2691

AN ACT

AMENDING SECTION 15-1898, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES; AMENDING TITLE 36, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES, BY ADDING CHAPTER 16; REPEALING TITLE 36, CHAPTER 16, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES; RELATING TO HEALTH CARE.

(TEXT OF BILL BEGINS ON NEXT PAGE)

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

2 Section 1. Section 15-1898, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to
3 read:

4 15-1898. Awarding of academic and vocational credits;
5 policies; current and former military members;
6 annual report; definitions

7 A. Each community college district governing board shall develop
8 policies to require community colleges under the jurisdiction of the board
9 to award academic or vocational credit that a current or former member of
10 the United States military may use toward the pursuit of an associate
11 degree or vocational certification. The number of academic or vocational
12 credits awarded shall be based on all of the following:

13 1. The member's length of time of active duty service in the United
14 States military.

15 2. Skills, knowledge and competencies the member acquired during
16 service in the United States military as determined by the board in
17 consultation with the department of veterans' services.

18 3. If the member provides a transcript, the ~~requirements~~ CRITERIA
19 prescribed in subsection C of this section.

20 B. The Arizona board of regents shall develop policies to require
21 the universities under the jurisdiction of the board to award academic or
22 vocational credit that a current or former member of the United States
23 military may use toward the pursuit of a baccalaureate degree or
24 vocational certification. The number of academic or vocational credits
25 awarded shall be based on all of the following:

26 1. The member's length of time of active duty service in the United
27 States military.

28 2. Skills, knowledge and competencies the member acquired during
29 service in the United States military as determined by the board in
30 consultation with the department of veterans' services.

31 3. If the member provides a transcript, the ~~requirements~~ CRITERIA
32 prescribed in subsection C of this section.

33 C. Each university under the jurisdiction of the Arizona board of
34 regents and each community college under the jurisdiction of a community
35 college district governing board shall notify an applicant for admission
36 who is a current or former member of the United States military that the
37 applicant may:

38 1. Be eligible to receive academic or vocational credit for the
39 applicant's military training and education.

40 2. Submit a transcript of the applicant's military training and
41 education. The university or community college shall both:

42 (a) Evaluate the transcript and work in conjunction with the
43 department of veterans' services to assess and apply the applicant's
44 education, training and experience received through military duty or
45 service to academic or vocational credits in selected programs of study.

1 (b) Notify the applicant which credits from the transcript are
2 transferrable.

3 D. EACH UNIVERSITY UNDER THE JURISDICTION OF THE ARIZONA BOARD OF
4 REGENTS AND EACH COMMUNITY COLLEGE UNDER THE JURISDICTION OF A COMMUNITY
5 COLLEGE GOVERNING BOARD SHALL ANNUALLY REPORT TO THE GOVERNOR, THE
6 PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE AND THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
7 THE NUMBER OF APPLICATIONS RECEIVED AND NUMBER OF APPLICATIONS APPROVED
8 PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION AND THE PROGRAMS OF STUDY FOR WHICH THE
9 APPLICATIONS ARE RECEIVED AND APPROVED. THE REPORT SHALL SPECIFICALLY
10 LIST EACH HEALTH CARE PROGRAM SEPARATELY.

11 ~~D.~~ E. For the purposes of this section:

12 1. "Member of the United States military" or "member" means a
13 person who is currently serving or who has served in the United States air
14 force, army, navy, marine corps or coast guard, the national guard or a
15 reserve unit of any of these branches of the United States military.
16 Member of the United States military or member does not include a person
17 who was dishonorably discharged.

18 2. "Transcript" includes a joint services transcript prepared for
19 the applicant.

20 Sec. 2. Title 36, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended by adding
21 chapter 16, to read:

22 CHAPTER 16

23 HEALTH CARE WORKFORCE

24 ARTICLE 1. WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT

25 36-1801. Definitions

26 IN THIS CHAPTER, UNLESS THE CONTEXT OTHERWISE REQUIRES:

27 1. "ADMINISTRATION" MEANS THE ARIZONA HEALTH CARE COST CONTAINMENT
28 SYSTEM ADMINISTRATION.

29 2. "ASSISTED LIVING CENTER" HAS THE SAME MEANING PRESCRIBED IN
30 SECTION 36-401.

31 3. "ASSISTED LIVING FACILITY" HAS THE SAME MEANING PRESCRIBED IN
32 SECTION 36-401.

33 4. "DEPARTMENT" MEANS THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES.

34 5. "DIRECTOR" MEANS THE DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT.

35 6. "HEALTH CARE INSTITUTION" HAS THE SAME MEANING PRESCRIBED IN
36 SECTION 36-401.

37 7. "NURSING CARE INSTITUTION" HAS THE SAME MEANING PRESCRIBED IN
38 SECTION 36-401.

39 36-1802. Arizona nurse education investment pilot program;
40 fund; use of monies

41 A. THE ARIZONA NURSE EDUCATION INVESTMENT PILOT PROGRAM IS
42 ESTABLISHED IN THE DEPARTMENT TO INCREASE THE CAPACITY OF NURSING
43 EDUCATION PROGRAMS IN THIS STATE BY FOSTERING COLLABORATION AMONG THIS
44 STATE'S EDUCATION AND HEALTH CARE COMMUNITIES AND THE STATE AND FEDERAL
45 GOVERNMENTS. SUBJECT TO AVAILABLE MONIES, THE PROGRAM SHALL ADDRESS THIS

1 STATE'S NURSING SHORTAGE BY INCREASING THE NUMBER OF ALL LEVELS OF NURSES
2 GRADUATING FROM THIS STATE'S NURSING EDUCATION PROGRAMS BY THE END OF
3 FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027 FROM THE NUMBER GRADUATING IN FISCAL YEAR
4 2021-2022. THE DEPARTMENT MAY USE LEGISLATIVE APPROPRIATIONS, PRIVATE
5 DONATIONS, GRANTS AND FEDERAL MONIES TO IMPLEMENT, SUPPORT, PROMOTE AND
6 MAINTAIN THE PROGRAM OR TO SUPPLANT MONIES APPROPRIATED FROM THE STATE
7 GENERAL FUND. THE DEPARTMENT SHALL USE ALL OTHER FUNDING SOURCES BEFORE
8 USING ANY STATE GENERAL FUND MONIES APPROPRIATED FOR THIS PURPOSE.

9 B. THE ARIZONA NURSE EDUCATION INVESTMENT PILOT PROGRAM FUND IS
10 ESTABLISHED CONSISTING OF LEGISLATIVE APPROPRIATIONS AND MONIES PROVIDED
11 BY ANY FEDERAL AGENCY, ENTITY OR PROGRAM FOR NURSING EDUCATION AND
12 WORKFORCE EXPANSION. THE DEPARTMENT SHALL ADMINISTER THE FUND. MONIES IN
13 THE FUND ARE CONTINUOUSLY APPROPRIATED AND EXEMPT FROM THE PROVISIONS OF
14 SECTION 35-190 RELATING TO LAPSING OF APPROPRIATIONS. ANY MONIES
15 REMAINING IN THE FUND ON JULY 1, 2026 REVERT TO THE STATE GENERAL FUND.

16 C. THE DEPARTMENT SHALL ALLOCATE FUND MONIES TO THE ARIZONA BOARD
17 OF REGENTS AND COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICTS BASED ON THE NUMBER OF NURSING
18 STUDENTS GRADUATING IN FISCAL YEAR 2021-2022 FROM ELIGIBLE EDUCATION
19 PROGRAMS OFFERED OR OVERSEEN BY THE ARIZONA BOARD OF REGENTS AND THE
20 COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICTS. ELIGIBLE EDUCATION PROGRAMS INCLUDE PROGRAMS
21 FOR NURSING ASSISTANTS, LICENSED PRACTICAL NURSES, REGISTERED NURSES AND
22 ADVANCED PRACTICE NURSES.

23 D. MONIES ALLOCATED FROM THE ARIZONA NURSE EDUCATION INVESTMENT
24 PILOT PROGRAM FUND SHALL BE USED BY THE ARIZONA BOARD OF REGENTS AND THE
25 COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICTS:

26 1. TO PAY FOR SALARIES, BENEFITS, TRAINING AND RELATED EXPENSES AND
27 OPERATIONAL COSTS NECESSARY TO INCREASE THE NUMBER OF QUALIFIED NURSING
28 EDUCATION FACULTY MEMBERS TEACHING IN NURSING DEGREE AND CERTIFICATE
29 PROGRAMS THAT ARE OPERATED OR OVERSEEN BY THE ARIZONA BOARD OF REGENTS OR
30 THE COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICTS. THE MONIES MAY BE SPENT ONLY FOR
31 ADDITIONAL NURSING EDUCATION FACULTY MEMBERS BASED ON THE NUMBER OF
32 FACULTY MEMBERS WHO PROVIDED THIS EDUCATION ON JUNE 30, 2021.

33 2. TO SUPPLEMENT AND NOT SUPPLANT MONIES THAT ARE APPROPRIATED BY
34 THE LEGISLATURE FOR EACH OF FISCAL YEARS 2022-2023 THROUGH 2024-2025 BASED
35 ON THE NUMBER OF NURSING EDUCATION FACULTY MEMBERS WHO PROVIDE THIS
36 EDUCATION AND WERE FUNDED IN FISCAL YEAR 2021-2022.

37 3. FOR CAPITAL EXPENSES THAT ARE DIRECTLY RELATED TO ADDITIONAL
38 FACULTY AND STUDENTS, INCLUDING STUDENT SUPPORT SERVICES.

39 E. THE ARIZONA BOARD OF REGENTS SHALL ESTABLISH A PROCESS, WHICH
40 MAY INCLUDE A GRANT PROGRAM, TO ANNUALLY DISTRIBUTE FUND MONIES TO THE
41 UNIVERSITIES UNDER ITS JURISDICTION FOR USE ONLY AS PRESCRIBED IN THIS
42 SECTION.

43 F. THE DIRECTOR SHALL AWARD GRANTS TO COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICTS
44 FOR USE ONLY AS PRESCRIBED IN THIS SECTION BASED ON THE RECOMMENDATIONS
45 FROM A STATEWIDE ORGANIZATION THAT REPRESENTS COMMUNITY COLLEGES. THE

1 DEPARTMENT SHALL ESTABLISH AN APPLICATION FORM, PROCESS AND PROCEDURE BY
2 WHICH MONIES MAY BE GRANTED. THE GRANTS PRESCRIBED BY THIS SUBSECTION ARE
3 SUBJECT TO THE AVAILABILITY OF MONIES AND SHALL BE DISTRIBUTED IN A MANNER
4 DESIGNED TO INCREASE THE NUMBER OF NURSE GRADUATES OR STUDENTS COMPLETING
5 CERTIFICATE PROGRAMS BY INCREASING AVAILABLE FACULTY AND TEACHING
6 RESOURCES IN A MANNER THAT:

7 1. PROVIDES FOR THE EFFICIENT USE OF AVAILABLE MONIES AND SHARED
8 RESOURCES.

9 2. DISTRIBUTES MONIES THROUGHOUT GEOGRAPHIC AREAS OF THIS STATE AND
10 TO UNDERREPRESENTED POPULATIONS IN THE NURSING WORKFORCE IN THIS STATE.

11 36-1803. Student nurse clinical rotation and licensed or
12 certified nurse training pilot program; preceptor
13 training; expansion; grants; definition

14 A. THE STUDENT NURSE CLINICAL ROTATION AND LICENSED OR CERTIFIED
15 NURSE TRAINING PROGRAM IS ESTABLISHED IN THE ADMINISTRATION TO EXPAND THE
16 CAPACITY OF PRECEPTOR TRAINING PROGRAMS AT HEALTH CARE INSTITUTIONS FOR
17 NURSING STUDENTS AND LICENSED OR CERTIFIED NURSES.

18 B. EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SECTION 36-1804, THE ADMINISTRATION SHALL
19 DEVELOP A GRANT PROGRAM TO DISTRIBUTE MONIES APPROPRIATED FOR THE STUDENT
20 NURSE CLINICAL ROTATION AND LICENSED OR CERTIFIED NURSE TRAINING PROGRAM
21 TO HEALTH CARE INSTITUTIONS THAT ARE LICENSED PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 4 OF
22 THIS TITLE ONLY TO EXPAND OR CREATE CLINICAL TRAINING PLACEMENTS FOR
23 UNDERGRADUATE NURSING STUDENTS AND LICENSED OR CERTIFIED NURSES TO
24 TRANSITION TO PRACTICE AND INCREASE SPECIALTY NURSING SKILLS. ELIGIBLE
25 PRECEPTOR TRAINING PROGRAMS MAY INCLUDE PROGRAMS FOR NURSING ASSISTANTS,
26 LICENSED PRACTICAL NURSES, REGISTERED NURSES AND ADVANCED PRACTICE NURSES,
27 INCLUDING NURSING ASSISTANT PROGRAMS OFFERED BY ASSISTED LIVING CENTERS,
28 ASSISTED LIVING FACILITIES AND NURSING CARE INSTITUTIONS AND APPROVED BY
29 THE ARIZONA STATE BOARD OF NURSING.

30 C. THE GRANT MONIES ARE INTENDED TO SUPPLEMENT AND NOT SUPPLANT
31 EXISTING PRECEPTOR OR TRAINING PROGRAM EXPENSES COVERED BY THE HEALTH CARE
32 INSTITUTION GRANTEE. A HEALTH CARE INSTITUTION APPLYING FOR A GRANT FOR A
33 LICENSED OR CERTIFIED NURSE TRAINING PROGRAM PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION
34 SHALL INCLUDE MATCHING MONIES FROM A REVENUE SOURCE OTHER THAN THE STATE
35 GENERAL FUND.

36 D. THE ADMINISTRATION SHALL ESTABLISH AN APPLICATION PROCESS FOR
37 THE GRANT PROGRAM AND MAY AWARD GRANTS FOR MULTIYEAR PROGRAMS. PROPOSALS
38 MUST INCLUDE OUTCOME GOALS AND MEASUREMENTS OF THE NUMBER OF NURSES
39 PLANNED TO BE TRAINED AND RETENTION TARGETS. THE ADMINISTRATION SHALL
40 CONSIDER THE FOLLOWING FACTORS WHEN DETERMINING GRANT AWARDS:

41 1. THE GEOGRAPHIC AND POPULATION DISTRIBUTION.

42 2. THE NUMBER OF NURSES PLANNED TO BE TRAINED AND RETAINED.

43 3. THE COST OF THE PROPOSAL FOR THE NUMBER OF NURSES EXPECTED TO
44 PARTICIPATE AND TO BE RETAINED COMPARED TO OTHER PROPOSALS.

1 E. THE ADMINISTRATION MAY USE MONIES APPROPRIATED FOR THE PURPOSES
2 OF THIS SECTION FOR PROGRAM ADMINISTRATION COSTS AND, IF DEEMED NECESSARY
3 BY THE ADMINISTRATION, TO CONTRACT WITH INDIVIDUALS OR ENTITIES TO
4 ADMINISTER ALL OR ANY OF THE ELEMENTS OF THE PROGRAM.

5 F. THE ADMINISTRATION MAY USE PRIVATE DONATIONS, GRANTS AND FEDERAL
6 MONIES TO IMPLEMENT, SUPPORT, PROMOTE OR MAINTAIN THE PROGRAM OR TO
7 SUPPLANT MONIES APPROPRIATED FROM THE STATE GENERAL FUND. THE
8 ADMINISTRATION SHALL USE ALL OTHER FUNDING SOURCES FOR THE GRANT PROGRAM
9 BEFORE USING ANY STATE GENERAL FUND MONIES.

10 G. THE ADMINISTRATION MAY TERMINATE THE FUNDING OF A GRANT IF
11 OUTCOMES REPORTED PURSUANT TO SECTION 36-1805 DEMONSTRATE THAT THE GRANT
12 PROPOSAL IS NOT PERFORMING AS PLANNED. MONIES RETURNED MAY BE USED FOR
13 THE OTHER GRANT PROPOSALS.

14 H. FOR THE PURPOSES OF THIS SECTION, "LICENSED OR CERTIFIED NURSE"
15 MEANS A NURSE WHO IS OR BECOMES LICENSED OR CERTIFIED WHILE PARTICIPATING
16 IN THE TRAINING PROGRAM AND WHO IS NEW TO PRACTICE.

17 36-1804. Licensed registered nurse transition to practice
18 pilot program; program administrator; program
19 curricula; stipends

20 A. SUBJECT TO AVAILABLE MONIES, THE ADMINISTRATION MAY ESTABLISH A
21 LICENSED REGISTERED NURSE TRANSITION TO PRACTICE PILOT PROGRAM TO
22 FACILITATE AND IMPROVE THE TRANSITION FOR NURSES FROM EDUCATION TO
23 PRACTICE. THE PROGRAM SHALL SUPPORT AND DEVELOP NEW NURSES, PROVIDE
24 EVIDENCE-BASED PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT AND ACCELERATE THE NOVICE NURSE TO
25 A COMPETENT NURSE MORE RAPIDLY.

26 B. THE ADMINISTRATION MAY CONTRACT WITH A STATEWIDE HOSPITAL
27 ASSOCIATION WHOSE MEMBERSHIP INCLUDES CRITICAL CARE ACCESS HOSPITALS OR A
28 STATEWIDE NURSES ASSOCIATION EXPERIENCED IN EDUCATION AND TRAINING
29 PROGRAMS TO ADMINISTER SOME OR ALL OF THE PROGRAM. THE ADMINISTRATION OR
30 DESIGNATED PROGRAM ADMINISTRATOR SHALL SELECT CURRICULA FOR THE PROGRAM
31 FROM A NATIONAL VENDOR WITH EXPERIENCE ADMINISTERING NURSE TRAINING
32 PROGRAMS. THE CURRICULA MUST INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING ELEMENTS:

- 33 1. EFFECTIVE DECISION-MAKING SKILLS.
- 34 2. CLINICAL LEADERSHIP WHILE ADMINISTERING CARE.
- 35 3. INCORPORATING RESEARCH-BASED EVIDENCE INTO PRACTICE.
- 36 4. PROFESSIONAL COMMITMENT TO NURSING.
- 37 5. INDIVIDUAL DEVELOPMENT GOALS.

38 C. SUBJECT TO AVAILABLE MONIES, THE ADMINISTRATION OR DESIGNATED
39 PROGRAM ADMINISTRATOR SHALL PROVIDE STIPENDS TO PARTICIPATING HEALTH CARE
40 INSTITUTIONS TO IMPLEMENT THE LICENSED REGISTERED NURSE TRANSITION TO
41 PRACTICE PILOT PROGRAM USING THE SELECTED CURRICULA. THE PROGRAM
42 ADMINISTRATOR SHALL GIVE PRIORITY TO CRITICAL ACCESS HOSPITALS OR
43 HOSPITALS LOCATED IN COUNTIES WITH A POPULATION OF LESS THAN FIVE HUNDRED
44 THOUSAND PERSONS.

1 D. THE MONIES PROVIDED UNDER THE PROGRAM ARE INTENDED TO SUPPLEMENT
2 AND NOT SUPPLANT EXISTING TRANSITION TO PRACTICE TRAINING PROGRAM EXPENSES
3 COVERED BY THE PARTICIPATING HEALTH CARE INSTITUTIONS. THE PROGRAM
4 ESTABLISHED PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION SHALL REQUIRE PARTICIPATING HEALTH
5 CARE INSTITUTIONS TO PROVIDE MATCHING MONIES FROM A REVENUE SOURCE OTHER
6 THAN THE STATE GENERAL FUND. PARTICIPATION IN THE PROGRAM IS
7 VOLUNTARY. ANY GRANT MONIES REMAINING UNUSED AT THE END OF A FISCAL YEAR
8 MAY BE ROLLED OVER TO THE NEXT FISCAL YEAR OR REALLOCATED BY THE
9 ADMINISTRATION TO THE PROGRAM ESTABLISHED BY SECTION 36-1803.

10 36-1805. Annual reports; hearing

11 A. THE DEPARTMENT SHALL DEVELOP REPORTING REQUIREMENTS FOR EACH
12 INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION AND HEALTH CARE INSTITUTION PARTICIPATING
13 IN THE ARIZONA NURSE EDUCATION INVESTMENT PROGRAM. THE ADMINISTRATION
14 SHALL DEVELOP REPORTING REQUIREMENTS FOR THE STUDENT NURSE CLINICAL
15 ROTATION AND LICENSED OR CERTIFIED NURSE TRAINING PROGRAM, AND THE
16 LICENSED REGISTERED NURSE TRANSITION TO PRACTICE PROGRAM. ON OR BEFORE
17 DECEMBER 31, 2023 AND EACH DECEMBER 31 THEREAFTER, THE DEPARTMENT AND
18 ADMINISTRATION SHALL PROVIDE A REPORT TO THE GOVERNOR, THE PRESIDENT OF
19 THE SENATE, THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AND THE
20 CHAIRPERSONS OF THE HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEES OF THE SENATE AND
21 THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, OR THEIR SUCCESSOR COMMITTEES, AND SHALL
22 PROVIDE A COPY OF THE REPORT TO THE SECRETARY OF STATE. EACH REPORT SHALL
23 INCLUDE OR ADDRESS THE FOLLOWING:

24 1. THE NUMBER OF PARTICIPATING ENTITIES AND WHO PARTICIPATED IN
25 EACH PROGRAM.

26 2. THE NUMBER OF NURSES WHO COMPLETED EACH EDUCATIONAL AND CLINICAL
27 TRAINING PROGRAM.

28 3. THE MEASUREMENTS DEVELOPED BY THE DEPARTMENT OR ADMINISTRATION
29 ON THE EXPANSION OF THE STATEWIDE HEALTH CARE WORKFORCE AND RETENTION
30 RATES OF HEALTH CARE INSTITUTIONS.

31 4. THE EXPANSION OF UNIVERSITY AND COMMUNITY COLLEGE PROGRAMS,
32 INCLUDING THE NUMBER OF ADDITIONAL NURSING STUDENTS IN EACH EDUCATIONAL
33 PROGRAM.

34 5. THE NUMBER OF NEW NURSE PRECEPTORS AT EACH HEALTH CARE
35 INSTITUTION, THE NUMBER OF STUDENTS AND LICENSED OR CERTIFIED NURSES
36 TRAINED BY THE EXPANSION OF PRECEPTORS AT EACH HEALTH CARE INSTITUTION AND
37 THE TURNOVER RATE OF LICENSED OR CERTIFIED NURSES WITHIN ONE YEAR OF
38 HIRING AT EACH HEALTH CARE INSTITUTION.

39 6. THE NUMBER AND IDENTITY OF HEALTH CARE INSTITUTIONS AND THE
40 NUMBER OF NURSES PARTICIPATING AT EACH HEALTH CARE INSTITUTION IN THE
41 LICENSED REGISTERED NURSE TRANSITION TO PRACTICE PROGRAM AND THE TURNOVER
42 RATE OF LICENSED REGISTERED NURSES WITHIN ONE YEAR OF HIRING AT EACH
43 PARTICIPATING HEALTH CARE INSTITUTION.

1 ANY GRANT MONIES REMAINING UNUSED AT THE END OF A FISCAL YEAR MAY BE
2 ROLLED OVER TO THE NEXT FISCAL YEAR OR REALLOCATED BY THE DEPARTMENT TO
3 ONE OF THE OTHER STATEWIDE NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS.

4 E. TO QUALIFY UNDER THIS SECTION, A PRECEPTORSHIP MUST MEET ALL OF
5 THE FOLLOWING:

6 1. PROVIDE AN UNCOMPENSATED MENTORING EXPERIENCE IN WHICH THE
7 LICENSED HEALTH PROFESSIONAL SERVING AS THE PRECEPTOR PROVIDES A PROGRAM
8 OF PERSONALIZED INSTRUCTION, TRAINING AND SUPERVISION TO THE GRADUATE
9 STUDENT.

10 2. BE AT LEAST FOUR WEEKS' DURATION.

11 3. PROVIDE AN EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITY FOR THE GRADUATE STUDENT TO
12 ENABLE THE STUDENT TO OBTAIN AN ELIGIBLE PROFESSIONAL DEGREE.

13 F. THE DEPARTMENT MAY USE PRIVATE DONATIONS, GRANTS AND FEDERAL
14 MONIES TO IMPLEMENT, SUPPORT, PROMOTE OR MAINTAIN THE PROGRAM.

15 G. FOR THE PURPOSES OF THIS SECTION, "GRADUATE STUDENT" MEANS AN
16 INDIVIDUAL WHO IS MATRICULATING AT THE GRADUATE LEVEL AT ANY ACCREDITED
17 INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION IN THIS STATE AND WHO IS SEEKING A DEGREE
18 IN THE AREAS OF DOCTOR OF MEDICINE, DOCTOR OF OSTEOPATHIC MEDICINE,
19 CERTIFIED NURSE MIDWIFE, CERTIFIED REGISTERED NURSE ANESTHETIST, CLINICAL
20 NURSE SPECIALIST, REGISTERED NURSE PRACTITIONER, PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT OR
21 DENTIST.

22 36-1807. Expansion of behavioral health workforce training;
23 pilot program fund; grant program; requirements

24 A. THE PILOT PROGRAM FUND IS ESTABLISHED. THE ARIZONA HEALTH CARE
25 COST CONTAINMENT SYSTEM ADMINISTRATION SHALL ADMINISTER THE FUND. MONIES
26 IN THE FUND ARE CONTINUOUSLY APPROPRIATED AND ARE EXEMPT FROM THE
27 PROVISIONS OF SECTION 35-190 RELATING TO LAPSING OF
28 APPROPRIATIONS. MONIES IN THE FUND SHALL BE USED TO EXPAND THE CAPACITY
29 OF THE MARICOPA COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT AND THE NAVAJO COUNTY
30 COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT TO TRAIN STUDENTS AS BEHAVIORAL HEALTH WORKERS
31 BY DEVELOPING BEHAVIORAL HEALTH CURRICULUM IN PARTNERSHIP WITH THE
32 MARICOPA COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT AND THE NAVAJO COUNTY COMMUNITY
33 COLLEGE DISTRICT.

34 B. THE ARIZONA HEALTH CARE COST CONTAINMENT SYSTEM MAY USE
35 LEGISLATIVE APPROPRIATIONS, PRIVATE DONATIONS, GRANTS AND FEDERAL MONIES
36 TO IMPLEMENT, SUPPORT, PROMOTE OR MAINTAIN THE GRANT PROGRAM ESTABLISHED
37 PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION OR TO SUPPLANT MONIES APPROPRIATED FROM THE STATE
38 GENERAL FUND. THE ADMINISTRATION SHALL USE ALL OTHER FUNDING SOURCES FOR
39 THE GRANT PROGRAM BEFORE USING ANY STATE GENERAL FUND MONIES.

40 C. SUBJECT TO AVAILABLE MONIES, THE DIRECTOR OF THE ARIZONA HEALTH
41 CARE COST CONTAINMENT SYSTEM SHALL DEVELOP A GRANT PROGRAM IN PARTNERSHIP
42 WITH THE MARICOPA COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT AND THE NAVAJO COUNTY
43 COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT TO DISTRIBUTE THE MONIES IN THE FUND TO
44 COMMUNITY COLLEGES WITH QUALIFYING PROGRAMS TO TRAIN STUDENTS TO ADDRESS
45 THE SHORTAGE OF THE BEHAVIORAL HEALTH WORKFORCE BY INCREASING THE NUMBER

1 OF STUDENTS COMPLETING QUALIFIED PROGRAMS BY THE END OF FISCAL YEAR
2 2024-2025. GRANTS PROVIDED PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION SHALL BE USED:

3 1. TO EXPAND BEHAVIORAL HEALTH CURRICULUM AND PAY FOR SALARIES,
4 BENEFITS, TRAINING AND RELATED EXPENSES AND OPERATIONAL COSTS NECESSARY TO
5 INCREASE THE NUMBER OF QUALIFIED BEHAVIORAL HEALTH EDUCATION FACULTY
6 MEMBERS TEACHING IN DEGREE AND CERTIFICATE PROGRAMS OPERATED OR OVERSEEN
7 BY THE MARICOPA COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT AND THE NAVAJO COUNTY
8 COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT.

9 2. TO PAY FOR TUITION, FEES AND RELATED EDUCATIONAL EXPENSES OF
10 ELIGIBLE STUDENTS ENROLLING IN BEHAVIORAL HEALTH PROGRAMS. THE ARIZONA
11 HEALTH CARE COST CONTAINMENT SYSTEM, IN PARTNERSHIP WITH THE COMMUNITY
12 COLLEGE DISTRICTS, SHALL DEVELOP AND IMPLEMENT REQUIREMENTS FOR PAYMENT OF
13 STUDENT EXPENSES THAT INCLUDE A REQUIREMENT THAT STUDENTS WHO COMPLETE A
14 CERTIFICATION OR DEGREE PROGRAM PRACTICE AS A BEHAVIORAL HEALTH WORKER IN
15 THIS STATE FOR A MINIMUM OF TWO YEARS OR THE NUMBER OF YEARS THAT EQUALS
16 THE LENGTH OF THE PROGRAM COMPLETED BY THE STUDENT, WHICHEVER IS GREATER.

17 D. THE GRANTS PROVIDED PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION ARE SUBJECT TO THE
18 AVAILABILITY OF MONIES. FUND MONIES SHALL BE DISTRIBUTED IN A MANNER
19 DESIGNED TO INCREASE THE NUMBER OF STUDENTS COMPLETING BEHAVIORAL HEALTH
20 DEGREE OR CERTIFICATE PROGRAMS.

21 E. THE ARIZONA HEALTH CARE COST CONTAINMENT SYSTEM SHALL DEVELOP
22 REPORTING REQUIREMENTS FOR EACH COMMUNITY COLLEGE USING MONIES RECEIVED
23 FROM THE PILOT PROGRAM FUND. ON OR BEFORE DECEMBER 31, 2023 AND EACH
24 DECEMBER 31 THEREAFTER, THE DIRECTOR OF THE ARIZONA HEALTH CARE COST
25 CONTAINMENT SYSTEM SHALL PROVIDE A REPORT TO THE GOVERNOR, THE PRESIDENT
26 OF THE SENATE, THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AND THE
27 CHAIRPERSONS OF THE HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEES OF THE SENATE AND
28 THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, OR THEIR SUCCESSOR COMMITTEES, AND SHALL
29 PROVIDE A COPY OF THE REPORT TO THE SECRETARY OF STATE. THE REPORT SHALL
30 INCLUDE:

31 1. THE NUMBER AND TYPE OF BEHAVIORAL HEALTH PROGRAMS CREATED AT
32 EACH COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT, INCLUDING THE NUMBER AND TYPE OF PROGRAMS
33 AT EACH INDIVIDUAL COMMUNITY COLLEGE IN THE DISTRICT.

34 2. THE NUMBER OF STUDENTS SUPPORTED FINANCIALLY IN EACH PROGRAM AT
35 EACH INDIVIDUAL COMMUNITY COLLEGE.

36 3. THE NUMBER OF STUDENTS COMPLETING EACH PROGRAM BY TYPE OF
37 PROGRAM AND AT EACH SPECIFIC COMMUNITY COLLEGE.

38 Sec. 3. Delayed repeal

39 Title 36, chapter 16, Arizona Revised Statutes, as added by this
40 act, is repealed from and after December 31, 2026.

APPROVED BY THE GOVERNOR JUNE 29, 2022.

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