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1 An Act establishing a rural community dentist loan repayment program and fund.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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1 Section 1. <u>NEW SECTION</u>. 261.23A RURAL COMMUNITY DENTIST 2 LOAN REPAYMENT PROGRAM == FUND.

1. A rural community dentist loan repayment program is 4 established to be administered by the college student aid 5 commission for dentists who agree to practice in an eligible 6 rural community in this state.

2. A dentist who graduated from the university of Iowa 8 college of dentistry shall be eligible for the rural community 9 dentist loan repayment program if the dentist agrees to 1 10 practice in an eligible rural community in this state. 11 university of Iowa college of dentistry shall recruit and 1 12 place dentists in rural communities that have agreed to 1 13 provide additional funds for the dentist's loan repayment. 1 14 The contract for the loan repayment shall stipulate the time 1 15 period the dentist shall practice in an eligible rural 1 16 community in this state and shall also stipulate that the 1 17 dentist repay any funds paid on the dentist's loan by the 1 18 commission if the dentist fails to practice in an eligible 1 19 rural community in this state for the required period of time.

1 20 3. For purposes of this subsection, "eligible rural 21 community means a rural community in this state underserved 22 by dentists that agrees to match state funds provided on at 1 23 least a dollar=for=dollar basis for the loan repayment of a 1 24 dentist who practices in the eligible rural community.

4. A rural community dentist loan repayment fund is 1 26 created in the state treasury as a separate fund under the 1 27 control of the commission. The fund is created for deposit of 28 moneys appropriated to or received by the commission for use 29 under the program. Notwithstanding section 8.33, any balance 1 30 in the fund on June 30 of any fiscal year shall not revert to 1 31 the general fund of the state but shall remain in the fund for 1 32 additional loan repayment in accordance with this section. 1 33 Notwithstanding section 12C.7, subsection 2, interest or 34 earnings on moneys in the rural community dentist loan 35 repayment fund shall be credited to the fund.

5. The commission shall adopt rules pursuant to chapter 2 17A to administer this section.

EXPLANATION

This bill establishes a rural community dentist loan 5 repayment program to be administered by the college student 6 aid commission for dentists who graduated from the university 7 of Iowa college of dentistry and who agree to serve in 8 eligible rural communities for a time agreed to by the dentist 9 and the commission. An eligible rural community is a rural 2 10 commun 2 11 funds 2 12 basis. 10 community underserved by dentists that agrees to match state 11 funds provided for the dentist's loans on at least a \$1=for=\$1

2 13 The rural community dentist loan repayment fund is created 2 14 in the state treasury as a separate fund under the control of 2 15 the commission. The fund is created for deposit of moneys 2 16 appropriated to or received by the commission for use under 2 17 the program. Moneys in the fund do not revert to the general 2 18 fund but remain in the fund for additional rural community 2 19 dentist loan repayment. Interest or earnings on moneys in the 2 20 fund are credited to the fund.

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