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A BILL FOR

1 An Act allowing radiologists to participate in the rural Iowa
2 primary care loan repayment program.

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

1 Section 1. Section 256.221, subsection 3, paragraph d, Code
2 2024, is amended to read as follows:

3 d. Within nine months of graduating from the residency
4 program and receiving a permanent license in accordance with
5 paragraph "b", engage in the full-time or part-time practice
6 of medicine and surgery or osteopathic medicine and surgery
7 specializing in family medicine, pediatrics, psychiatry,
8 internal medicine, obstetrics and gynecology, neurology,
9 radiology, or general surgery for a period of five consecutive
10 years in the service commitment area specified under subsection
11 8, unless the loan repayment recipient receives a waiver from
12 the commission to complete the years of practice required under
13 the agreement in another service commitment area pursuant to
14 subsection 8.

15 EXPLANATION

16 The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with
17 the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.

18 This bill allows radiologists to participate in the
19 rural Iowa primary care loan repayment program, which is
20 administered by the college student aid commission. The
21 program provides loan repayments for medical students who
22 agree to practice as physicians in service commitment areas
23 for five consecutive years after graduating from a residency
24 program and receiving a permanent license to practice medicine
25 and surgery or osteopathic medicine and surgery in this
26 state. For purposes of the program, a service commitment
27 area is a city that provides a \$20,000 contribution to the
28 rural Iowa primary care trust fund for each physician in the
29 community who is participating in the program, and the city
30 is either within a federal mental health shortage area, if
31 the physician participating in the program specializes in
32 psychiatry, or the city has a population of less than 26,000
33 and is located more than 20 miles from a city with a population
34 of 50,000. Current law provides that persons who engage in
35 the full-time or part-time practice of medicine and surgery

1 or osteopathic medicine and surgery specializing in family
2 medicine, pediatrics, psychiatry, internal medicine, obstetrics
3 and gynecology, neurology, or general surgery are allowed to
4 participate in the program, if certain other criteria are
5 satisfied. The bill adds persons engaged in the full-time
6 or part-time practice of medicine and surgery or osteopathic
7 medicine and surgery who specialize in radiology to the list of
8 allowable participants in the program.