

House File 2288 - Introduced

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A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to vaccination exemptions for certain students
2 in clinical rotations and the qualification of postsecondary
3 schools as eligible institutions for Iowa tuition grants.
4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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1 Section 1. NEW SECTION. **139A.8C Vaccination requirements —**
2 **clinical rotations.**

3 1. As used in this section, unless the context otherwise
4 requires:

5 a. "*Clinical rotation*" means a period of training completed
6 for academic credit by a student in a medical, nursing, or other
7 health care-related degree that is supervised by a health care
8 professional in a facility. For the purposes of this paragraph,
9 "*facility*" means the same as defined in section 514J.102.

10 b. "*Postsecondary school*" means the same as defined in
11 section 139A.8B.

12 2. a. A postsecondary school offering a degree program
13 requiring a clinical rotation shall, upon request of a student
14 enrolled in the degree program, identify a clinical rotation
15 placement where the student will be permitted an exemption from
16 any vaccination requirements imposed by the placement location
17 during the duration of the student's clinical rotation.

18 b. A postsecondary school not in compliance with paragraph
19 "a" shall not qualify as an eligible institution for the purposes
20 of Iowa tuition grants under section 256.191.

21 Sec. 2. Section 256.183, subsection 3, Code 2026, is amended
22 to read as follows:

23 3. "*Eligible institution*" means an institution of higher
24 learning located in Iowa which is operated privately and not
25 controlled or administered by any state agency or any subdivision
26 of the state, which is not exempt from taxation under section
27 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, and which meets all of
28 the criteria in subsection 1, paragraphs "d" through "k", ~~and~~
29 or is a school of barbering and cosmetology arts and sciences
30 licensed under chapter 157 and ~~is~~ accredited by a national
31 accrediting agency recognized by the United States department of
32 education. For the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2017, such
33 a school of barbering and cosmetology arts and sciences shall
34 provide a matching aggregate amount of institutional financial
35 aid equal to at least seventy-five percent of the amount received

1 by the institution's students for Iowa tuition grant assistance
2 under section 256.191. For the fiscal year beginning July 1,
3 2018, the school of barbering and cosmetology arts and sciences
4 shall provide a matching aggregate amount of institutional
5 financial aid equal to at least eighty-five percent of the amount
6 received in that fiscal year. Commencing with the fiscal year
7 beginning July 1, 2019, and each succeeding fiscal year, the
8 matching aggregate amount of institutional financial aid shall
9 be at least equal to the match provided by eligible institutions
10 under section 261.9, subsection 3, paragraph "a", Code 2023.

11 EXPLANATION

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

14 This bill relates to vaccination exemptions for certain
15 students in clinical rotations and the qualification for
16 postsecondary schools as eligible institutions for Iowa tuition
17 grants.

18 The bill defines "clinical rotation" (rotation) as a period of
19 training completed for academic credit by a student in a medical,
20 nursing, or other health care-related degree that is supervised
21 by a health care professional in a facility. The bill also
22 defines "postsecondary school" and "facility".

23 The bill requires a postsecondary school offering a degree
24 program requiring a rotation to, upon request of a student
25 enrolled in the degree program, identify a rotation placement
26 where the student will be exempt from any vaccination
27 requirements imposed by the placement during the duration of the
28 rotation. Under the bill, a postsecondary school that fails to
29 comply does not qualify as an eligible institution for purposes
30 of Iowa tuition grants. The bill amends the definition of
31 eligible institution under Code section 256.183.