
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE BILL

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AND HUTCHINSON, FEBRUARY 27, 2017

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AN ACT

1 Amending the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), entitled "An
2 act relating to the public school system, including certain
3 provisions applicable as well to private and parochial
4 schools; amending, revising, consolidating and changing the
5 laws relating thereto," in medical education loan assistance,
6 further providing for loan guarantor program.

7 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
8 hereby enacts as follows:

9 Section 1. Section 2212-A(b) of the act of March 10, 1949
10 (P.L.30, No.14), known as the Public School Code of 1949, is
11 amended and the section is amended by adding a subsection to
12 read:

13 Section 2212-A. Loan guarantor program.

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15 (b) Loan Guarantor Program.--The Loan Guarantor Program
16 shall provide for the following:

17 (1) Life of loan servicing.

18 (2) Contracting for insurance with a guarantor, approved
19 by the agency, which offers a low-cost loan with competitive
20 interest rates and loan fees to eligible applicants.

1 (3) Predetermining the eligibility of applicants who
2 receive a loan from an offeror to attend an accredited
3 medical school or an approved institution of higher learning
4 that is insured by a guarantor.

5 (4) Evaluating the benefit package of a guarantor for
6 adequacy, accessibility and availability of funds necessary
7 to provide adequate loss prevention.

8 (5) Loan forgiveness.

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10 (j) Loan forgiveness.--

11 (1) A person who receives a loan under this section
12 shall receive loan forgiveness to attend medical school, if
13 all of the following requirements are met:

14 (i) The person is enrolled in a residency program
15 located in this Commonwealth.

16 (ii) The person volunteers at least 100 hours of
17 service in the health care field each year in which loan
18 forgiveness is requested.

19 (2) Loan forgiveness under this subsection shall be
20 provided for in the following amounts:

21 (i) For year one, \$10,000.

22 (ii) For year two, \$20,000.

23 (iii) For year three, \$30,000.

24 (iv) For year four, \$40,000.

25 (v) For year five, \$50,000.

26 (vi) For year six, \$50,000.

27 (vii) For year seven, \$50,000.

28 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2017, or
29 immediately, whichever is later.