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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON HEALTH, FEBRUARY 9, 2016

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AN ACT

1 Amending the act of December 2, 1992 (P.L.741, No.113), entitled  
2 "An act providing a comprehensive plan for health care for  
3 uninsured children; providing for medical education  
4 assistance; making appropriations; and making repeals," in  
5 primary care to medically underserved areas, further  
6 providing for loan forgiveness for primary health care  
7 practitioners.

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

10 Section 1. Section 1303(e) of the act of December 2, 1992  
11 (P.L.741, No.113), known as the Children's Health Care Act, is  
12 amended to read:

13 Section 1303. Loan forgiveness for primary health care  
14 practitioners.

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16 (e) Benefits.--

17 (1) A physician [or dentist] who is eligible under  
18 subsection (d) shall be eligible to receive up to [\$64,000]  
19 \$100,000 in loan exonerations based on the following  
20 schedule:

- 1 (i) Year one, [15%] 50%.  
2 (ii) Year two, [20%] 50%.  
3 [(iii) Year three, 30%.  
4 (iv) Year four, 35%.]

5 (1.1) A dentist who is eligible under subsection (d)  
6 shall be eligible to receive up to \$200,000 in loan  
7 exonerations based on the following schedule:

- 8 (i) Year one, 50%.  
9 (ii) Year two, 50%.

10 (2) A nurse practitioner, physician assistant or nurse  
11 midwife who is eligible under subsection (d) shall be  
12 eligible to receive up to [\$40,000] \$60,000 in loan  
13 exonerations based on the following repayment schedule:

- 14 (i) Year one, [15%] 50%.  
15 (ii) Year two, [20%] 50%.  
16 [(iii) Year three, 30%.  
17 (iv) Year four, 35%.]

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19 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.