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HOUSE AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 2397

By COMMITTEE ON HEALTH CARE

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1 On <u>page 1</u> of the printed bill, line 24, after "program" insert "in Oregon" and delete "issues 2 facing" and insert "training".

In line 29, after "office" insert "for at least as many years as the number of years for which the practitioner received loans from the Primary Health Care Loan Forgiveness Program".

5 On page 2, delete lines 16 through 25 and insert:

6 "(8)(a) A person receiving a loan under subsection (5) of this section who fails to complete the 7 residency or training as required by the office by rule shall repay the amount received to the Pri-8 mary Health Care Loan Forgiveness Program plus 10 percent interest on the unpaid balance, ac-9 crued from the date the loan was granted.

10 (b) A person receiving a loan under subsection (5) of this section who completes the residency 11 or training required by the office by rule but fails to fulfill the obligations required by the service 12 agreement shall repay the amount received to the Primary Health Care Loan Forgiveness Program 13 plus 10 percent interest on the unpaid balance, accrued from the date the loan was granted. Addi-14 tionally, a penalty fee equal to 25 percent of the amount received shall be assessed against the 15person. No interest accrues on the penalty. The office shall establish rules to allow waiver of all 16 or part of the penalty owed to the program due to circumstances that prevent the participant from 17 fulfilling the service obligation.

"(9) Payments on loans provided under subsection (5) of this section shall be deposited in the Primary Health Care Loan Forgiveness Program Fund established in section 2 of this 2011 Act.

20 "(10) If a participant defaults on a loan provided under section (5) of this section:

"(a) Any amounts due may be collected by the Collections Unit in the Department of Revenue under ORS 293.250; or

23 "(b) The Oregon Health and Science University may contract with a collections agency to col-24 lect any amounts due.

25 "(11) Any amounts collected under subsection (10) of this section shall be deposited in the Pri-26 mary Health Care Loan Forgiveness Program Fund established in section 2 of this 2011 Act.".

27 In line 26, delete "(11)" and insert "(12)".

28 Delete lines 28 through 36 and insert:

29 "<u>SECTION 2.</u> The Primary Health Care Loan Forgiveness Program Fund is established 30 in the State Treasury, separate and distinct from the General Fund. Interest earned by the 31 Primary Health Care Loan Forgiveness Program Fund shall be credited to the fund. Moneys 32 in the fund are continuously appropriated to the Oregon Department of Administrative Ser-33 vices for distribution to the Office of Rural Health for the purposes of carrying out the pro-34 visions of section 1 of this 2011 Act.

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"SECTION 3. In addition to and not in lieu of any other appropriation, there is appro-

1 priated to the Oregon Department of Administrative Services, for the biennium beginning

2 July 1, 2011, out of the General Fund, the amount of \$525,000, for distribution to the Office

3 of Rural Health for purposes of the Primary Health Care Loan Forgiveness Program created

4 in section 1 of this 2011 Act.".

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