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SENATE BILL 10-058

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A BILL FOR AN ACT

101 CONCERNING THE ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS FOR THE NURSING
102 TEACHER LOAN FORGIVENESS PILOT PROGRAM.

Bill Summary

(Note: This summary applies to this bill as introduced and does not reflect any amendments that may be subsequently adopted. If this bill passes third reading in the house of introduction, a bill summary that applies to the reengrossed version of this bill will be available at <http://www.leg.state.co.us/billsummaries>.)

The bill changes certain eligibility requirements for the nursing teacher loan forgiveness pilot program, including reducing the required employment in teaching from full time to half time and allowing the teaching position to begin within 2 years after the completion of the nursing teacher's advanced degree.

Shading denotes HOUSE amendment. Double underlining denotes SENATE amendment.
Capital letters indicate new material to be added to existing statute.
Dashes through the words indicate deletions from existing statute.

1 *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:*

2 **SECTION 1.** 23-3.6-101 (6), Colorado Revised Statutes, is
3 amended to read:

4 **23-3.6-101. Definitions.** As used in this part 1, unless the context
5 otherwise requires:

6 (6) "Qualified position" means ~~full-time~~ AT LEAST HALF-TIME
7 employment by a public or participating private institution of higher
8 education, ~~to teach classes~~ OF WHICH A MAJORITY OF THE TIME INCLUDES
9 THE CLASSROOM, CLINICAL, AND LAB INSTRUCTION required to earn a
10 degree or certificate in nursing.

11 **SECTION 2.** 23-3.6-102 (2) (c) and (2) (d), Colorado Revised
12 Statutes, are amended to read:

13 **23-3.6-102. Nursing teacher loan forgiveness pilot program -**
14 **administration - fund - conditions.** (2) In addition to any qualifications
15 specified by collegeinvest, to qualify for the program, a nursing teacher
16 shall:

17 (c) Agree to teach in a qualified position for a period of not less
18 than five consecutive academic years, BEGINNING WITHIN TWO YEARS
19 after completion of the advanced degree SPECIFIED IN PARAGRAPH (a) OF
20 THIS SUBSECTION (2);

21 (d) Teach in a qualified position for not less than five consecutive
22 academic years, BEGINNING WITHIN TWO YEARS after completion of the
23 advanced degree SPECIFIED IN PARAGRAPH (a) OF THIS SUBSECTION (2);
24 and

25 **SECTION 3. Act subject to petition - effective date.** This act
26 shall take effect at 12:01 a.m. on the day following the expiration of the

1 ninety-day period after final adjournment of the general assembly (August
2 11, 2010, if adjournment sine die is on May 12, 2010); except that, if a
3 referendum petition is filed pursuant to section 1 (3) of article V of the
4 state constitution against this act or an item, section, or part of this act
5 within such period, then the act, item, section, or part shall not take effect
6 unless approved by the people at the general election to be held in
7 November 2010 and shall take effect on the date of the official
8 declaration of the vote thereon by the governor.