

1994 SESSION

INTRODUCED

LD8134828

SENATE BILL NO. 409

Offered January 25, 1994

A BILL to amend the Code of Virginia by adding in Article 6 of Chapter 4 of Title 32.1 a section numbered 32.1-122.6:1, relating to the Physician Loan Repayment Program.

Patrons—Schewel, Andrews, Holland, C.A., Holland, E.M., Lambert, Walker and Woods; Delegates: Ball, Brickley, Connally, DeBoer, Heilig, Melvin and Morgan

Referred to the Committee on Education and Health

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That the Code of Virginia is amended by adding in Article 6 of Chapter 4 of Title 32.1 a section numbered 32.1-122.6:1 as follows:

§ 32.1-122.6:1. Physician Loan Repayment Program.

With such funds as are appropriated for this purpose, the Board of Health shall establish a physician loan repayment program for graduates of accredited medical schools who have a specialty in the primary care areas of family practice medicine, general internal medicine, pediatrics, and obstetrics/gynecology, and who meet other criteria as determined by the Board. The Commissioner shall act as the fiscal agent for the Board in administration of these funds. Prior to awarding any funds, the Board shall require the recipient to agree to perform a period of medical service in this Commonwealth in a medically underserved area as defined in § 32.1-122.5.

The Board shall promulgate regulations for the implementation of the Physician Loan Repayment Program. Applications for participation in the program will be accepted from a graduate of any accredited medical school, but preference will be given to graduates of medical schools located in the Commonwealth.

INTRODUCED

SB409