

SUBCOMMITTEE AMENDMENT
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
State of Oklahoma

SPEAKER:

CHAIR:

I move to amend HB2208 _____
Of the printed Bill
Page _____ Section _____ Lines _____
Of the Engrossed Bill

By striking the Title, the Enacting Clause, the entire bill, and by inserting in lieu thereof the following language:

AMEND TITLE TO CONFORM TO AMENDMENTS

Amendment submitted by: Ryan Kiesel

Adopted: _____

Reading Clerk

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2 1st Session of the 52nd Legislature (2009)

3 PROPOSED SUBCOMMITTEE

4 SUBSTITUTE

5 FOR

6 HOUSE BILL NO. 2208

By: Kiesel

7 PROPOSED SUBCOMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE

8 An Act relating to public health and safety; creating
9 the Oklahoma Geriatric Medical Loan Repayment
10 Program; providing short title; stating purpose;
11 providing for administration of the Oklahoma Medical
12 Loan Repayment Program; requiring report; specifying
13 applicability of act; providing for codification; and
14 providing an effective date.

15 BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

16 SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
17 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 1-2720 of Title 63, unless there
18 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

19 This act shall be known and may be cited as the "Oklahoma
20 Geriatric Medical Loan Repayment Program."

21 SECTION 2. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
22 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 1-2721 of Title 63, unless there
23 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

24 A. 1. The State Department of Health shall administer the
Oklahoma Geriatric Medical Loan Repayment Program.

1 2. The Program, depending upon available funding, shall provide
2 educational loan repayment assistance for up to two Oklahoma
3 licensed physicians who have completed a fellowship training program
4 in geriatrics, including geropsychiatry, per year.

5 3. Each award shall be for a contracted period and shall be
6 distributed to the participant by drafts made payable to the
7 participant and the appropriate loan agency in equal monthly
8 disbursements, not to exceed Twenty-five Thousand Dollars
9 (\$25,000.00) per year for a five-year period. Prior to any
10 disbursement, the Department shall certify and properly review
11 monthly reports submitted by the participating geriatric physician
12 detailing performance of activities in accordance with the Oklahoma
13 Geriatric Medical Loan Repayment Program.

14 4. At the conclusion of the two-year period, the Department
15 shall review the performance in the Program of the participating
16 geriatric specialist and determine whether an award may be granted
17 for an additional three (3) years pursuant to rules promulgated by
18 the Department.

19 B. The geriatric specialists entering the Program each year
20 shall agree to provide medical care and services in an area
21 designated as a Geriatric Specialist Shortage Area of the state by
22 the Department and agree to provide medical care and services to
23 Medicaid recipients as authorized by the Oklahoma Health Care
24 Authority. The Department shall be responsible for ensuring that at

1 least thirty percent (30%) of the patients treated by the physician
2 are Medicaid recipients.

3 C. A geriatric specialist shall be eligible to participate in
4 the loan repayment program if the geriatric specialist:

- 5 1. Is a new medical school graduate;
- 6 2. Is licensed to practice medicine in Oklahoma; and
- 7 3. Has demonstrated financial need.

8 D. The geriatric specialist shall:

9 1. Execute a contract with the Department to provide medical
10 services in a designated Geriatric Specialist Shortage Area;

11 2. Agree that thirty percent (30%) of the patients of the
12 geriatric specialist will be Medicaid recipients;

13 3. Not discriminate against patients based on the ability to
14 pay; and

15 4. Agree to practice in this state for no fewer than five (5)
16 consecutive years immediately following completion of his or her
17 fellowship.

18 E. If the geriatric specialist does not fulfill the service
19 obligation, the Department may collect from the participant the
20 entire amount of loan payments made under the Program plus interest.

21 F. The Department shall present a report on the operation of
22 the Program to the Governor, the Speaker of the House of
23 Representatives, and the President Pro Tempore of the Senate within
24 one (1) month of the beginning of each regular session of the

1 Legislature, including but not limited to the progress made in
2 accomplishing the goal of the Program.

3 SECTION 3. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
4 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 1-2722 of Title 63, unless there
5 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

6 The amount of the award of educational loan repayment assistance
7 shall not exceed any maximum or minimum amount as promulgated by
8 rules of the State Board of Health pursuant to the Oklahoma
9 Geriatric Medical Loan Repayment Program. The actual amount of the
10 award shall be based upon a determination of:

11 1. Actual funds available to the Oklahoma Geriatric Medical
12 Loan Repayment Program for expenditure; and

13 2. The existing student loan indebtedness of the participating
14 geriatric specialist.

15 SECTION 4. This act shall become effective November 1, 2009.

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