HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES TWENTY-FIFTH LEGISLATURE, 2010 STATE OF HAWAII H.B. NO. 2769

A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO PHYSICIANS.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:

1 The department of health shall create a SECTION 1. (a) 2 program to encourage access to medical care in rural areas of 3 Hawaii. The program shall provide for the refunding of tuition 4 and fees or the assumption of educational loans, if any, of 5 students or graduates of the University of Hawaii John A. Burns 6 School of Medicine who agree, prior to graduation, to enroll in 7 a post-graduate medical residency or fellowship program that 8 requires the individual to provide, after graduation, health 9 care for five years in a hospital or clinic in a rural or 10 medically-underserved area of the State.

(b) The director of health shall develop eligibility and
placement criteria for the program in coordination with the dean
and administration of the University of Hawaii John A. Burns
School of Medicine.

SECTION 2. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

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Report Title: Physicians; Access to care

Description:

Directs the department of health to create a program to encourage access to medical care in rural areas of Hawaii by refunding tuition and fees of graduates of the John A. Burns School of Medicine who enroll in a five-year residency or fellowship program at a hospital or clinic in a rural or medically-underserved area of the State.

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