

SENATE AMENDMENT NO. _____

Offered by _____ of _____

Amend SS/Senate Bill No. 726, Page 1, Section 9.288, Line 9,

2 by inserting after all of said line the following:

3 "191.500. As used in sections 191.500 to 191.550,
4 unless the context clearly indicates otherwise, the
5 following terms mean:

6 (1) "Area of defined need", a community or section of
7 an urban area of this state which is certified by the
8 department of health and senior services as being in need of
9 the services of a physician to improve the patient-doctor
10 ratio in the area, to contribute professional physician
11 services to an area of economic impact, or to contribute
12 professional physician services to an area suffering from
13 the effects of a natural disaster;

14 (2) "Department", the department of health and senior
15 services;

16 (3) "Eligible student", a full-time student accepted
17 and enrolled in a formal course of instruction leading to a
18 degree of doctor of medicine or doctor of osteopathy,
19 including psychiatry, at a participating school, or a doctor
20 of dental surgery, doctor of dental medicine, or a bachelor
21 of science degree in dental hygiene;

22 (4) "Financial assistance", an amount of money paid by
23 the state of Missouri to a qualified applicant pursuant to
24 sections 191.500 to 191.550;

25 (5) "Participating school", an institution of higher
26 learning within this state which grants the degrees of

27 doctor of medicine or doctor of osteopathy, and which is
28 accredited in the appropriate degree program by the American
29 Medical Association or the American Osteopathic Association,__
30 or a degree program by the American Dental Association or
31 the American Psychiatric Association, and applicable
32 residency programs for each degree type and discipline;

33 (6) "Primary care", general or family practice,
34 internal medicine, pediatric [or], psychiatric, obstetric
35 and gynecological care as provided to the general public by
36 physicians licensed and registered pursuant to chapter 334,__
37 dental practice, or a dental hygienist licensed and
38 registered pursuant to chapter 332;

39 (7) "Resident", any natural person who has lived in
40 this state for one or more years for any purpose other than
41 the attending of an educational institution located within
42 this state;

43 (8) "Rural area", a town or community within this
44 state which is not within a "standard metropolitan
45 statistical area", and has a population of six thousand or
46 fewer inhabitants as determined by the last preceding
47 federal decennial census or any unincorporated area not
48 within a standard metropolitan statistical area.

49 191.515. An eligible student may apply to the
50 department for a loan under sections 191.500 to 191.550 only
51 if, at the time of his application and throughout the period
52 during which he receives the loan, he has been formally
53 accepted as a student in a participating school in a course
54 of study leading to the degree of doctor of medicine or
55 doctor of osteopathy, including psychiatry, or a doctor of
56 dental surgery, a doctor of dental medicine, or a bachelor
57 of science degree in dental hygiene, and is a resident of
58 this state.

59 191.520. No loan to any eligible student shall exceed
60 [seven thousand five hundred] twenty-five thousand dollars
61 for each academic year, which shall run from August first of
62 any year through July thirty-first of the following year.
63 All loans shall be made from funds appropriated to the
64 medical school loan and loan repayment program fund created
65 by section 191.600, by the general assembly.

66 191.525. No more than twenty-five loans shall be made
67 to eligible students during the first academic year this
68 program is in effect. Twenty-five new loans may be made for
69 the next three academic years until a total of one hundred
70 loans are available. At least one-half of the loans shall
71 be made to students from rural areas as defined in section
72 191.500. An eligible student may receive loans for each
73 academic year he is pursuing a course of study directly
74 leading to a degree of doctor of medicine or doctor of
75 osteopathy, doctor of dental surgery, or doctor of dental
76 medicine, or a bachelor of science degree in dental hygiene.

77 335.230. Financial assistance to any qualified
78 applicant shall not exceed [five] ten thousand dollars for
79 each academic year for a professional nursing program and
80 shall not exceed [two thousand five hundred] five thousand
81 dollars for each academic year for a practical nursing
82 program. All financial assistance shall be made from funds
83 credited to the professional and practical nursing student
84 loan and nurse loan repayment fund. A qualified applicant
85 may receive financial assistance for each academic year he
86 remains a student in good standing at a participating school.

87 335.257. Successful applicants for whom loan payments
88 are made under the provisions of sections 335.245 to 335.259
89 shall verify to the department twice each year, [in June and
90 in December,] in the manner prescribed by the department

91 that qualified employment in this state is being
92 maintained."; and

93 Further amend the title and enacting clause accordingly.