

February 10, 2021

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL NO. 2018

Page 1, line 2, remove "and"

Page 1, line 2, after "transfer" insert "; and to provide an exemption"

Page 3, after line 14, insert:

"SECTION 8. EXEMPTION - NONRESIDENT NURSE EMPLOYMENT RECRUITMENT PROGRAM - ELIGIBILITY. Of the \$500,000 appropriated from the general fund for the nonresident nurse employment recruitment program in section 29 of chapter 40 of the 2019 Session Laws, \$320,000 is not subject to section 54-44.1-11 and is available for the program during the biennium beginning July 1, 2021, and ending June 30, 2023. In addition to the program eligibility guidelines established for the 2019-21 biennium, the department of commerce shall provide funding authorized in this section to eligible nursing students in the state who have not been employed by a health care provider on a full-time basis in the year preceding the grant award."

Renumber accordingly

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE OF AMENDMENT:

This amendment authorizes the Department of Commerce to continue \$320,000 of the \$500,000 appropriated from the general fund for the 2019-21 biennium for the nonresident nurse recruitment program into the 2021-23 biennium and authorizes the department to provide funding from the program to eligible nursing students in the state who have not been employed by a health care provider on a full-time basis in the year preceding the grant award.