

1 IN THE HOUSE

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HOUSE BILL NO. 409

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IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

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FIFTEENTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

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A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act relating to forgiveness of student loans of
7 certain health care providers."

8 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:

9 * Section 1. AS 14.43.120 is amended by adding a new subsection to
10 read:

11 (s) If a borrower meets the conditions provided in this section
12 and is employed as a health care provider in an area determined to
13 have a health provider shortage by the United States Public Health
14 Service under 42 U.S.C. 254(e), a portion of the loan shall be paid by
15 the state equal to the following percentages of the total loan re-
16 ceived plus interest up to a total of 100 percent of the total loan:
17 (1) one year employment, 15 percent; (2) two years employment, an
18 additional 15 percent; (3) three years employment, an additional 15
19 percent; (4) four years employment, an additional 25 percent; (5) over
20 four years employment, an additional 30 percent. In this subsection,
21 "health care provider" means a person who is licensed, certified, or
22 otherwise authorized by the state to administer health care in the
23 ordinary course of business or practice of a profession.