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## **SENATE BILL No. 1371**

August 9, 2006, Introduced by Senators SWITALSKI, BROWN, JOHNSON, JACOBS, CLARKE, CLARK-COLEMAN, PRUSI, THOMAS, BRATER, BARCIA, CASSIS, BISHOP, BASHAM, CHERRY, KUIPERS, OLSHOVE, SCHAUER, GARCIA, STAMAS, LELAND, McMANUS, JELINEK, ALLEN, SCOTT, GEORGE, BIRKHOLZ, CROPSEY, GILBERT, TOY, VAN WOERKOM, HAMMERSTROM, HARDIMAN, SANBORN, EMERSON, WHITMER and PATTERSON and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

A bill to amend 2002 PA 591, entitled "Michigan nursing scholarship act," by amending section 2 (MCL 390.1182).

## THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

Sec. 2. As used in this act:

- (a) "Authority" means the Michigan higher education assistance authority created by 1960 PA 77, MCL 390.951 to 390.961.
- (b) "Eligible costs" means tuition and fees charged by an eligible institution; related costs for room, board, books, supplies, transportation, or day care; and other costs determined by the authority.
- (c) "Eligible employment" means a registered nurse or licensed practical nurse providing full-time nursing care, or part-time

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- 1 nursing care if section 7 applies, in a ward, emergency department,
- 2 emergency room, operating room, or trauma center of a hospital
- 3 licensed under article 17 of the public health code, 1978 PA 368,
- 4 MCL 333.20101 to 333.22260, in a nursing home or hospice licensed
- 5 under article 17 of the public health code, 1978 PA 368, MCL
- 6 333.20101 to 333.22260, in a health facility or agency licensed
- 7 under article 17 of the public health code, 1978 PA 368, MCL
- 8 333.20101 to 333.22260, that provides nonemergency health care to
- 9 patients without receiving compensation for providing that
- 10 nonemergency health care, or in a clinic or other health care
- 11 program operated by a local health department that provides 1 or
- 12 more required services under part 24 of the public health code,
- 13 1978 PA 368, MCL 333.2401 to 333.2498, or as an employee of a home
- 14 health care agency providing home patient care.
- (d) "Eligible institution" means a degree or certificate
- 16 granting public or independent nonprofit college or university,
- 17 junior college, or community college in this state.
- 18 (e) "Licensed practical nurse" means an individual licensed to
- 19 engage in the practice of nursing as a licensed practical nurse as
- 20 defined in section 17201 of the public health code, 1978 PA 368,
- **21** MCL 333.17201.
- 22 (f) "Nursing program" means —a— EITHER OF THE FOLLOWING:
- 23 (i) A program for the training of individuals to become
- 24 registered nurses or licensed practical nurses operated in this
- 25 state by an eligible institution and approved by the Michigan board
- 26 of nursing.
- 27 (ii) A MASTER'S DEGREE IN NURSING PROGRAM OPERATED IN THIS

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- 1 STATE BY AN ELIGIBLE INSTITUTION AND APPROVED BY THE MICHIGAN BOARD
- 2 OF NURSING.
- 3 (g) "Registered professional nurse" means that term as defined
- 4 in section 17201 of the public health code, 1978 PA 368, MCL
- **5** 333.17201.