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# HOUSE BILL NO. 247

## 95TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVES LOEHNER (Sponsor), McCLANAHAN, KIRKTON,  
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D. ADAM CRUMBLISS, Chief Clerk

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### AN ACT

To repeal section 335.212, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof one new section relating to the nursing student loan program.

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*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Missouri, as follows:*

Section A. Section 335.212, RSMo, is repealed and one new section enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as section 335.212, to read as follows:

335.212. As used in sections 335.212 to 335.242, the following terms mean:

- 2 (1) "Board", the Missouri state board of nursing;
- 3 (2) "Department", the Missouri department of health and senior services;
- 4 (3) "Director", director of the Missouri department of health and senior services;
- 5 (4) "Eligible student", a resident who has been accepted as a full-time student in a formal  
6 course of instruction leading to an associate degree, a diploma, a bachelor of science, [or] a  
7 master of science in nursing [or leading to the completion of educational requirements for a  
8 licensed practical nurse] **(M.S.N.), a doctorate in nursing (Ph.D. or D.N.P.), or a doctorate  
9 in education (Ed.D.), or leading to the completion of educational requirements for a  
10 licensed practical nurse. The doctoral applicant may be a part-time student;**
- 11 (5) "Participating school", an institution within this state which is approved by the board  
12 for participation in the professional and practical nursing student loan program established by  
13 sections 335.212 to 335.242, having a nursing department and offering a course of instruction  
14 based on nursing theory and clinical nursing experience;

EXPLANATION — Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted from the law. Matter in **bold-face** type in the above bill is proposed language.

15           (6) "Qualified applicant", an eligible student approved by the board for participation in  
16 the professional and practical nursing student loan program established by sections 335.212 to  
17 335.242;

18           (7) "Qualified employment", employment on a full-time basis in Missouri in a position  
19 requiring licensure as a licensed practical nurse or registered professional nurse in any hospital  
20 as defined in section 197.020, RSMo, or in any agency, institution, or organization located in an  
21 area of need as determined by the department of health and senior services. Any forgiveness of  
22 such principal and interest for any qualified applicant engaged in qualified employment on a less  
23 than full-time basis may be prorated to reflect the amounts provided in this section;

24           (8) "Resident", any person who has lived in this state for one or more years for any  
25 purpose other than the attending of an educational institution located within this state.

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