

AMENDMENTS TO LB1101

Introduced by Education.

1 1. Strike the original sections and insert the following new
2 section:

3 Section 1. (1) For purposes of this section, program means the
4 Rural Health Opportunities Program that encourages students from rural
5 communities to pursue health care professions and return to practice in
6 those rural communities.

7 (2) The Board of Trustees of the Nebraska State Colleges and the
8 Board of Regents of the University of Nebraska shall enter into a
9 memorandum of understanding to administer the program, including a joint
10 application and interview process to select students to participate in
11 the program and be provisionally admitted into one of the eligible health
12 care programs at the University of Nebraska Medical Center. The Board of
13 Regents at the University of Nebraska shall also provide a program at the
14 University of Nebraska at Kearney. To be eligible, students shall:

15 (a) Attend or be a graduate of an approved or accredited high school
16 in Nebraska or receive an equivalent of a diploma of high school
17 equivalency in Nebraska; and

18 (b) Have lived in or been a resident of a rural area of Nebraska as
19 determined by the Board of Trustees of the Nebraska State Colleges and
20 the Board of Regents of the University of Nebraska.

21 (3) A student who participates in the program is entitled to a
22 waiver of one hundred percent of the cost of tuition and fees per
23 academic year for up to four years at a state college or at the
24 University of Nebraska at Kearney for the purpose of completing the
25 established health care program coursework at such state college or at
26 the University of Nebraska at Kearney that is required for early
27 admission and transfer to an eligible health care program at the

- 1 University of Nebraska Medical Center.
- 2 (4) It is the intent of the Legislature to appropriate a sufficient
- 3 amount of money for each fiscal year to carry out this section.