

1-1 By: Walle, et al. (Senate Sponsor - Hinojosa) H.B. No. 2261
 1-2 (In the Senate - Received from the House April 11, 2019;
 1-3 April 15, 2019, read first time and referred to Committee on Higher
 1-4 Education; May 19, 2019, reported favorably by the following vote:
 1-5 Yeas 9, Nays 0; May 19, 2019, sent to printer.)

1-6 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
1-7 Creighton	X			
1-8 West	X			
1-9 Bettencourt	X			
1-10 Buckingham	X			
1-11 Flores	X			
1-12 Menéndez	X			
1-13 Powell	X			
1-14 Taylor	X			
1-15 Watson	X			

1-17 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
 1-18 AN ACT

1-19 relating to the physician education loan repayment program.

1-20 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-21 SECTION 1. Sections 61.538(a) and (c), Education Code, are
 1-22 amended to read as follows:

1-23 (a) A physician may receive repayment assistance under this
 1-24 subchapter in the amount determined by board rule, not to exceed the
 1-25 following amounts for each year for which the physician establishes
 1-26 eligibility for the assistance:

- 1-27 (1) for the first year, \$30,000 [~~\$25,000~~];
- 1-28 (2) for the second year, \$40,000 [~~\$35,000~~];
- 1-29 (3) for the third year, \$50,000 [~~\$45,000~~]; and
- 1-30 (4) for the fourth year, \$60,000 [~~\$55,000~~].

1-31 (c) The total amount of repayment assistance made under this
 1-32 subchapter to an individual physician may not exceed \$180,000
 1-33 [~~\$160,000~~].

1-34 SECTION 2. The change in law made by this Act to Section
 1-35 61.538, Education Code, applies only to a person who first
 1-36 establishes eligibility for loan repayment assistance under
 1-37 Subchapter J, Chapter 61, Education Code, as amended by this Act, on
 1-38 the basis of an application submitted on or after September 1, 2019.
 1-39 A person who first establishes eligibility on the basis of an
 1-40 application submitted before September 1, 2019, is governed by the
 1-41 law in effect on the date the application was submitted, and the
 1-42 former law is continued in effect for that purpose.

1-43 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2019.

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