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Substitute the following for H.B. No. 2980:

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1
2 relating to the award of grants by the Texas Higher Education
3 Coordinating Board to increase the availability of clinical
4 education practice sites for certain nursing students.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

6 SECTION 1. Subchapter Z, Chapter 61, Education Code, is
7 amended by adding Section 61.96234 to read as follows:

8 Sec. 61.96234. GRADUATE NURSING EDUCATION GRANTS. (a)

9 Under the professional nursing shortage reduction program, the
10 board may award graduate nursing education grants to institutions
11 of higher education with a graduate professional nursing program to
12 fund innovative approaches to increasing the availability of
13 clinical education practice sites for graduate professional
14 nursing students.

15 (b) The board shall require an institution of higher
16 education that receives a grant under this section to submit
17 periodic reports describing the outcomes of the activities funded
18 through the grant.

19 (c) The legislature may appropriate money for purposes of
20 this section. The board may use funds appropriated for the
21 professional nursing shortage reduction program and funds returned
22 to the board under Section 61.96232(e) for purposes of this
23 section.

24 (d) The board shall adopt rules for the administration of

1 this section.

2 (e) Not later than November 1 of each even-numbered year,
3 the board shall submit to the legislature a report regarding the
4 outcomes of the activities funded through the graduate nursing
5 education grants awarded under this section.

6 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2019.