



State of Wisconsin  
2021 - 2022 LEGISLATURE

LRB-1270/P1  
JAM:klm

DOA:.....Mott, BB0437 - Fellowship and loan forgiveness program for nurse educators

**FOR 2021-2023 BUDGET -- NOT READY FOR INTRODUCTION**

**AN ACT ...; relating to:** the budget.

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*Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau*

**EDUCATION**

**HIGHER EDUCATION**

***Nurse educators loan forgiveness and fellowship program***

The bill requires the Board of Regents of the UW System to establish a program that provides (1) fellowships to students who enroll in certain doctoral nursing degree programs; (2) postdoctoral fellowships to recruit faculty for UW System nursing programs; and (3) educational loan repayment assistance to recruit and retain faculty for UW System nursing programs. In addition, the program must require individuals who receive a fellowship or educational loan repayment assistance under the program to make a three-year commitment to teaching in a UW System nursing program.

For further information see the state fiscal estimate, which will be printed as an appendix to this bill.

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***The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:***

**SECTION 1.** 20.285 (1) (f) of the statutes is created to read:

20.285 (1) (f) *Nurse educators.* As a continuing appropriation, the amounts in the schedule to fund the costs of the program established under s. 36.615 (1).

\*\*\*NOTE: This SECTION involves a change in an appropriation that must be reflected in the revised schedule in s. 20.005, stats.

**SECTION 2.** 36.615 of the statutes is created to read:

**36.615 Nurse educators. (1)** Subject to sub. (2), the Board of Regents shall establish a program that provides all of the following:

(a) Fellowships for students who enroll in doctor of nursing practice or doctor of philosophy in nursing degree programs.

(b) Postdoctoral fellowships to recruit faculty for system nursing programs.

(c) Educational loan repayment assistance to recruit and retain faculty for system nursing programs.

(2) The program established under sub. (1) shall require individuals who receive fellowships under sub. (1) (a) or (b) or assistance under sub. (1) (c) to make a commitment to teach for 3 consecutive years in a system nursing program.

(3) Costs associated with the program established under sub. (1) shall be funded from the appropriation under s. 20.285 (1) (f).

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