ENROLLED ACT NO. 59, SENATE

FIFTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WYOMING 2005 GENERAL SESSION

AN ACT relating to health care education; clarifying requirements for physician and allied health care provider loan repayment agreements; and providing for an effective date.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Wyoming:

Section 1. W.S. 9-2-118(a)(i) and (c) and 9-2-119(a)(i) and (c) are amended to read:

9-2-118. Physician and dentist loan repayment program.

- (a) The department is authorized to enter into agreements with physicians and dentists who have graduated from accredited residency programs to provide health care in this state. The agreements shall:
- (i) Provide for the physician or dentist to practice medicine in a community of the state from among a list of communities developed by the department. A physician or dentist shall agree to provide medical care for the period of the contract in underserved areas of the state and shall accept patients qualified under the Medical Assistance and Services Act, Title XVIII of the federal Social Security Act and the child health insurance program who seek medical care which the physician or dentist is qualified to provide; The department of health, in consultation with the state board of medicine and the board of dental examiners, shall determine which areas of the state are underserved and which provider services are most needed in each underserved area;
- (c) The department may vary the terms of each agreement in accordance with this section based upon the

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community and the number of the physician's or dentist's
patients whose cost of care is reimbursed under Title XVIII of the federal Social Security Act, or the child health
insurance program or the Wyoming Medical Assistance and Services Act., served by the physician.

9-2-119. Allied health care provider loan repayment program.

- (a) The department is authorized to enter into agreements with health care providers licensed or certified to provide health care services in this state including, but not limited to, hospital, medical, surgical, dental, vision, nursing, radiology, mental health and pharmaceutical services. The agreements shall:
- (i) Require the health care provider to provide health care services in a community of the state from among a list of communities developed by the department. A health care provider shall agree to provide medical care for the period of the contract in underserved areas of the state and shall accept patients qualified under the Medical Assistance and Services Act, Title XVIII of the federal Social Security Act and the child health insurance program who seek medical care which the health care provider is qualified to provide; The department of health, in consultation with the appropriate health care provider licensing boards, shall determine which areas of the state are underserved and which provider services are most needed in each underserved area;
- (c) The department may vary the terms of each agreement in accordance with this section based upon the community and the number of the health care provider's patients whose cost of care is reimbursed under Title XVIII of the federal Social Security Act, or the child health

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insurance program or the Wyoming Medical Assistance and
Services Act., served by the health care provider.

Section 2. W.S. 9-2-118(a) (iv) and 9-2-119(a) (iv) are repealed.

Section 3. This act is effective July 1, 2005.

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Speaker of the House	President of the Senate
Governor	
TIME APPROVED:	
DATE APPROVED:	
I hereby certify that this act or	iginated in the Senate.
Chief Clerk	