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CHAPTER 41

HOUSE BILL 121, as amended

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Introduced by

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# CHAPTER 41

## AN ACT

1  
2 RELATING TO NURSING EDUCATION; ALLOWING ANY REGISTERED NURSE  
3 WHO IS OR WILL BE A NURSE EDUCATOR TO USE THE NURSE EDUCATORS  
4 FUND TO OBTAIN A HIGHER DEGREE.  
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6 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

7 **SECTION 1.** Section 21-1-27.7 NMSA 1978 (being Laws  
8 2005, Chapter 136, Section 1) is amended to read:

9 "21-1-27.7. FUND CREATED.--

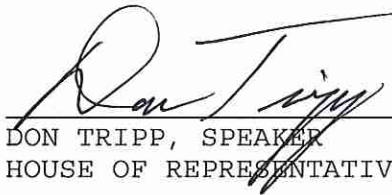
10 A. There is created in the state treasury the  
11 "nurse educators fund". The state treasurer shall deposit in  
12 the fund all amounts appropriated or credited to the fund.  
13 The fund shall be administered by the higher education  
14 department, which shall charge not more than a five percent  
15 administrative fee. Earnings from investment of the fund  
16 shall accrue to the credit of the fund. Any balance in the  
17 fund at the end of any fiscal year shall remain in the fund  
18 for appropriation by the legislature.


19 B. The purpose of the fund is to enable the  
20 attainment of bachelor of science, master of science, doctor  
21 of nursing practice and doctor of philosophy degrees in  
22 nursing programs by nursing educators employed by a public  
23 post-secondary educational institution and registered nurses  
24 seeking employment as nursing educators in a public post-  
25 secondary educational institution.

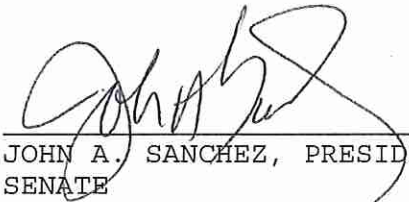
1 C. The higher education department shall develop  
2 rules for continuing employment or pay-back provisions for  
3 current and future nursing educators who use the fund."=====

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