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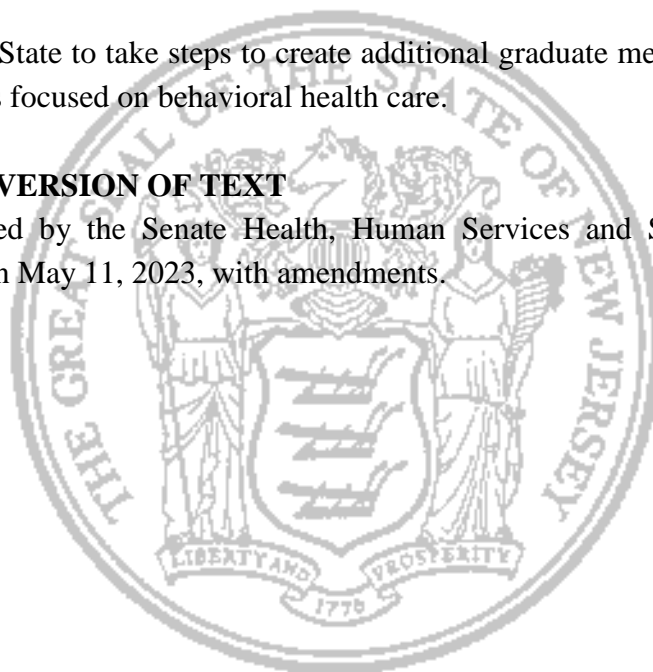
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**SYNOPSIS**

Requires State to take steps to create additional graduate medical education program slots focused on behavioral health care.

**CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT**

As reported by the Senate Health, Human Services and Senior Citizens Committee on May 11, 2023, with amendments.



**(Sponsorship Updated As Of: 2/27/2023)**

1 AN ACT concerning graduate medical education and <sup>2</sup>[amending  
2 and]<sup>2</sup> supplementing P.L.1977, c.390 <sup>2</sup>(C.18A:64H-1 et seq.)<sup>2</sup> .

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4 **BE IT ENACTED** by the Senate and General Assembly of the State  
5 of New Jersey:

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7 <sup>2</sup>[1.Section 5 of P.L.1977, c.390 (C.18A:64H-5) is amended to  
8 read as follows:

9 5. The **[Commission on]** Secretary of Higher Education, upon  
10 the advice of the Advisory Council, with the concurrence of the  
11 Commissioner of Health, shall:

12 a. Plan for the development and implementation of graduate  
13 medical education programs in the State, which programs shall  
14 include <sup>1</sup>**[programs]** program slots<sup>1</sup> in both physical health care  
15 and behavioral health care;

16 b. Set standards for qualification for participation by public and  
17 private nonprofit hospitals in the State;

18 c. Establish standards for the use and expenditures of funds  
19 appropriated pursuant to this act;

20 d. Determine the number and type of graduate medical  
21 education programs which should be supported in particular  
22 hospitals in relation to total State needs.

23 (cf: P.L.1994, c.48, s.174)<sup>2</sup>

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25 <sup>2</sup>[2. (New section)] 1.<sup>2</sup> a. The Commissioner of Human Services  
26 shall apply for such State plan amendments or waivers as may be  
27 necessary to secure federal financial participation for State Medicaid  
28 expenditures under the federal Medicaid program for the purpose of  
29 establishing additional graduate medical education slots focused on  
30 behavioral health care.

31 b. Contingent on approval of State plan amendments or waivers  
32 applied for pursuant to subsection a. of this section, the Commissioner  
33 of Human Services and the Secretary of Higher Education shall  
34 establish a process for <sup>1</sup>new and existing<sup>1</sup> graduate medical education  
35 programs to request and use Medicaid funds to establish additional  
36 graduate medical education <sup>1</sup>**[programs]** program slots<sup>1</sup> focused on  
37 behavioral health care.

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39 <sup>2</sup>[3.] 2.<sup>2</sup> This act shall take effect immediately.

EXPLANATION – Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets **[ thus ]** in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.

Matter underlined thus is new matter.

Matter enclosed in superscript numerals has been adopted as follows:

<sup>1</sup>Assembly AHE committee amendments adopted February 13, 2023.

<sup>2</sup>Senate SHH committee amendments adopted May 11, 2023.