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AN ACT

To amend chapter 191, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to a graduate medical education grant program.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Chapter 191, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new section, to be 2 known as section 191.592, to read as follows:

- 191.592. 1. For purposes of this section, the following terms mean:
- 2 (1) "Department", the department of health and senior services;
 - (2) "Graduate medical education program", a program that offers training in one or more accredited medical residency programs, including programs in osteopathic medical education:
 - **(3)** "Grant program", the graduate medical education grant program established in this section;
 - (4) "Residency slot", the creation of a new residency position in a graduate medical education program or the continuation of a residency position that was initially created with funding through the grant program.
- 2. Subject to appropriation, the department shall establish a graduate medical 12 education grant program. The department shall award grants, in amounts to be determined by the department, to entities operating graduate medical education programs in this state. The total amount awarded shall be sufficient to fund twenty 15 residency slots, across all entities receiving grants, in each fiscal year beginning with
- 16 fiscal year 2024 and ending with fiscal year 2034.

EXPLANATION — Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted from the law. Matter in **bold-face** type in the above bill is proposed language.

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3. In awarding grants under this section, the department shall give priority to entities operating graduate medical education programs that:

- (1) Serve areas having the greatest need as determined by the department; and
- (2) Offer residency programs in primary care, as defined in section 191.500.
- 4. The department shall establish and post on its website eligibility criteria, criteria for determining the amount and duration of grants, the contents of the grant application, and the procedures and timelines by which entities may apply for grants.
- 5. If an individual who completed residency training that was funded, in whole or in part, through a grant under this section fails to work in the state of Missouri for a minimum of three years following his or her training in this state, the individual shall pay back the funds used on a prorated basis to the entity operating the graduate medical education program that received the funds. Such entity shall return the funds for deposit in the graduate medical education grant program fund described in subsection 6 of this section.
- 6. (1) There is hereby created in the state treasury the "Graduate Medical Education Grant Program Fund", which shall consist of moneys appropriated to it by the general assembly, all funds returned as described in subsection 5 of this section, and any gifts, contributions, grants, or bequests received from federal, private, or other sources. The state treasurer shall be custodian of the fund. In accordance with sections 30.170 and 30.180, the state treasurer may approve disbursements. The fund shall be a dedicated fund and, upon appropriation, moneys in the fund shall be used solely as provided in this section.
- (2) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 33.080 to the contrary, any moneys remaining in the fund at the end of the biennium shall not revert to the credit of the general revenue fund.
- (3) The state treasurer shall invest moneys in the fund in the same manner as other funds are invested. Any interest and moneys earned on such investments shall be credited to the fund.
- 7. The department shall research funding options and seek funding for the grant program from federal, private, and other sources.
- 8. The department may promulgate all necessary rules and regulations for the administration of this section. Any rule or portion of a rule, as that term is defined in section 536.010, that is created under the authority delegated in this section shall become effective only if it complies with and is subject to all of the provisions of chapter 536 and, if applicable, section 536.028. This section and chapter 536 are nonseverable and if any of the powers vested with the general assembly pursuant to chapter 536 to review, to delay the effective date, or to disapprove and annul a rule are subsequently

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54 held unconstitutional, then the grant of rulemaking authority and any rule proposed or

55 adopted after August 28, 2023, shall be invalid and void.

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