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HOUSE BILL NO. 556

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BY REPRESENTATIVE TURNER

HIGHER ED/BD REGENTS: Provides for implementation of healthcare workforce training initiatives by the Board of Regents

AN ACT

2	To enact R.S. 17:3138.10, relative to healthcare workers; to require the development and
3	implementation of certain initiatives by the Board of Regents; and to provide for
4	related matters.
5	Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:
6	Section 1. The legislature finds:
7	(1) A talented, qualified, engaged, and diverse workforce is at the heart of
8	Louisiana's healthcare system.
9	(2) Louisiana hospitals and health systems continue to face mounting and
10	critical staffing shortages that could jeopardize access to care in the communities
11	they serve.
12	(3) The healthcare workforce supports Louisiana jobs, serves Louisiana
13	communities, and stimulates Louisiana's economy.
14	(4) It is imperative that the state explore new and innovative opportunities
15	to bolster the number of healthcare professionals being trained in Louisiana.
16	Section 2. R.S. 17:3138.10 is hereby enacted to read as follows:
17	§3138.10. Healthcare workforce training initiatives
18	The Board of Regents shall develop and implement healthcare workforce
19	training initiatives that promote collaboration between nursing and allied health

CODING: Words in struck through type are deletions from existing law; words <u>underscored</u> are additions.

training programs and healthcare industry partners in an effort to develop the

## 2 <u>healthcare workforce.</u>

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## **DIGEST**

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<u>Proposed law</u> requires the Bd. of Regents to develop and implement healthcare workforce training initiatives in order to expand the healthcare workforce in La.

(Adds R.S. 17:3138.10)