HOUSE BILL 103

50TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2011

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AN ACT

RELATING TO HIGHER EDUCATION; REQUIRING THE HIGHER EDUCATION DEPARTMENT TO DEVELOP A STATEWIDE NURSING PROGRAM.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

SECTION 1. A new section of Chapter 21 NMSA is enacted to read:

"[NEW MATERIAL] STATEWIDE NURSING PROGRAM. --

A. The higher education department shall develop a statewide nursing program that shall be used by all public post-secondary educational institutions that offer a nursing program. The program shall provide for the following:

(1) a common curriculum, including clinical education and the effective use of distance learning and simulation, including standard prerequisite and core courses required for the state nursing program;

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1	(2) shared use of nursing faculty among the
2	public post-secondary educational institutions;
3	(3) an articulation plan for dual credit among
4	post-secondary educational institutions and between secondary
5	schools and post-secondary educational institutions;
6	(4) coordination and shared use of clinical
7	sites;
8	(5) allocation of credit hours and tuition
9	when students take classes from multiple schools;
10	(6) faculty workload and reimbursement when
11	engaged with students from multiple institutions;
12	(7) determination of student financial aid for
13	students taking classes from multiple schools;
14	(8) early entry into master's of science in
15	nursing and nursing doctoral programs;
16	(9) a compensation package and implementation
17	plan to improve nursing faculty compensation;
18	(10) funding allocation transparency in the
19	higher education funding formula and other revenue sources; and
20	(11) comprehensive data collection and
21	analysis.
22	B. The statewide nursing program shall be
23	implemented at all public post-secondary educational
24	institutions that offer nursing degrees by the fall semester of
25	2013."
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