

RÉSUMÉ DIGEST

ACT 495 (HB 736)

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New law creates a program to address the shortage of certified high school athletic trainers in rural areas. Provides for the state Dept. of Education (DOE) to administer the program. As elements of the program, new law:

- (1) Requires DOE to develop and administer a plan for recruitment and retention of athletic trainers in such areas.
- (2) Establishes a loan repayment program for athletic trainers working in such areas. Requires DOE to provide an implementation schedule for loan repayments within three months of the effective date of new law.
- (3) Establishes the Athletic Trainer Professional Development Fund and authorizes the state treasurer to transfer \$1,500,000 into the fund.

Effective upon appropriation of funds by the legislature.

(Adds R.S. 17:3721-3726)