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Sec. 8. 33 MRSA §1364, sub-§1, as amended by PL 1983, c. 211, §15, is repealed and the following enacted in its place:

1. Limit on fees. No agreement to pay compensation to recover or assist in the recovery of property reported under section 1351, made within one year after the date the report was filed, is enforceable. After this period, a 15% compensation rate is permissible. Compensation may exceed the 15% after 2 years from the filing date if the agreement:

A. Is in writing and signed by the property owner;

B. Discloses the nature and value of the property; and

C. Discloses the name and address of the holder.

Sec. 9. Effective date. Section 6 of this Act shall take effect on June 30, 1987.

Effective July 16, 1986, unless otherwise indicated.

CHAPTER 756

H.P. 1497 - L.D. 2110

AN ACT to Amend the Maine Osteopathic Student Loan Program.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:

Sec. 1. 20-A MRSA §12005, sub-§1, as enacted by PL 1981, c. 693, §§5 and 8, is amended to read:

1. Agreement. Any osteopathic loan student commencing professional education on or ofter July 1, 1981, shall, as a condition precedent to receiving the loan, enter into an agreement with the Commissioner of Educational and Cultural Services stating that, following completion of professional education, including internship, residency and, fellowship, obligated public health service or obligated national service, the student shall pay the State an amount of money equal to the loan received.

Sec. 2. 20-A MRSA §12005, sub-§2, as enacted by PL 1981, c. 693, §§5 and 8, is amended to read:

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2. <u>Repayment.</u> This amount shall be payable at 9% simple annual interest in not more than 10 annual equal installments. These installment payments shall commence at such time as the state contract student concludes professional education under rules promulgated by the commissioner.

Sec. 3. 20-A MRSA 12005, sub-33 and 4 are enacted to read:

3. Deferment. Any student who has received a loan under this section who, during the repayment period, either returns to a Maine practice and then leaves the State or who initially remains out of state and then returns to a Maine practice may seek a deferment of the annual principal and interest payments while outside the State for a period of time not to exceed 3 years. Interest shall be assessed during this time and the student's total debt to the State, including principal and interest, shall be repaid either through return service or cash payments within 10 years from the date which marks the beginning of the repayment period. Requests for deferments shall be made to the commissioner who shall make a determination on a case-by-case basis. The decision of the commissioner shall be final.

4. Forgiveness. Any student who, upon the conclusion of his professional education, including, if applicable, internship, residency, fellowship, obligated public health service, obligated national service, as defined in section 11872, subsection 7, elects to serve as a practitioner of osteopathic medicine in a designated, underserved area, as determined by the Commissioner of Human Services and as defined in section 11802, subsection 6, in the State shall be forgiven 25% of the outstanding indebtedness for each year of that practice.

Sec. 4. 20-A MRSA §12006 is enacted to read:

§12006. Rules

The Commissioner of Educational and Cultural Services shall establish rules necessary to carry out the purposes of this chapter, except that the Commissioner of Human Services shall develop rules for determining underserved areas for the practice of osteopathic medicine.

Effective July 16, 1986.