SENATE BILL No. 654

By Committee on Ways and Means

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AN ACT establishing the nursing faculty and supplies grant program; 10 making appropriations for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2008.

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Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:

Section 1. (a) As used in this section:

- (1) "State board" means the state board of regents.
- (2) "School of nursing" means a school of nursing at a postsecondary educational institution located within the state of Kansas which is approved by the state board of nursing to grant a degree in nursing.
- (3) "Postsecondary educational institution" means: (1) Any state educational institution or a municipal university, as defined by K.S.A. 74-3201b, and amendments thereto; and (2) a private postsecondary educational institution, as defined by K.S.A. 2007 Supp. 74-32,163, and amendments thereto.
- (4) "Program" means the nursing faculty and supplies grant program established pursuant to this section.
- (b) There is hereby established the nursing faculty and supplies grant program. Subject to the limitations of appropriations therefor, any postsecondary educational institution which desires to expand the nursing faculty and consumable laboratory supplies at its school of nursing may submit an application for a grant of moneys in an amount to be determined by the state board for the purpose of paying such costs. Grants shall be matched on the basis of \$1 from the nursing faculty and supplies grant program for each \$1 from the postsecondary educational institution receiving the grant. Grant moneys may be expended for the expansion of the nursing faculty and for consumable laboratory supplies at the school of nursing of the postsecondary educational institution receiving the grant.
- (c) In order to be eligible for a grant under this section, the postsecondary educational institution shall submit to the board an application for a grant. The application shall be prepared in such form and manner as required by the board and shall be submitted at a time to be determined and specified by the board.
- (d) The board shall establish standards and criteria for reviewing, evaluating and approving applications for grants submitted pursuant to this

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section. Grants may be awarded on a needs-basis or on a competitive basis, but all grants shall be awarded by the board in accordance with the standards and criteria established by the board. Within the limitations of appropriations therefor, the state board shall determine the amount and number of grants and be responsible for payment of grants to institutions.

(e) Each postsecondary educational institution which is awarded a grant under this section shall make such periodic and special reports of statistical and financial information to the board as it may request.

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Sec. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the statute book.