

Support **SB 358** by Sen. Juan Hinojosa

MORE FACULTY MEANS MORE NURSES

The Nursing Faculty Loan Repayment Program (NFLRP) is the only appropriation in the state budget to help the nursing shortage by increasing the number of nurses in faculty positions.

In 2016, 30% of students were denied admittance colleges of nursing due to a lack of faculty. Almost 12,000 qualified applicants to master's and doctoral programs (faculty-track diplomas) were also turned away due to lack of faculty.

By 2030, Texas will be

60,000
NURSES SHORT.

The NFLRP currently has an appropriation of \$3 million. Similar programs for physicians have \$30 million or more appropriated. However, the physician shortage will only be 6,000 by 2030, versus a gap 10 times that for nurses.



WHAT TEXAS NEEDS

Increased appropriation to \$10 million and pass SB 358 to broaden the uses of the NFLRP and incentivize more nurses to enter faculty positions.

- Nurses would be able to apply even if employed part-time.
- Nurses would qualify for loan repayment while working part-time or full-time as faculty.

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