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## Bill Summary

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### Overview

**This bill expands the health professional loan forgiveness program to address the need for trained mental health practitioners.**

#### Section

- 1**      **Creation of account.** Amends §144.1501, subd. 2. Adds midlevel practitioners who agree to practice in pediatric psychiatry or mental health, and nurses who agree to practice in a hospital pediatric psychiatric unit to the list of health professionals who can participate in the loan forgiveness program administered by the commissioner of health.
- 2**      **Appropriation.** Appropriates an unspecified amount from the general fund to the commissioner of health to expand the loan forgiveness program.