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11 Senator Hill moved the following amendment:

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13 **Senate Amendment (with title amendment)**

14 On page 109, between lines 20 and 21,

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16 insert:

17 Section 42. Part VI of chapter 1011, Florida Statutes,

18 consisting of sections 1011.96, 1011.965, 1011.97, and

19 1011.98, is created to read:

20 1011.96 SUCCEED, FLORIDA! Crucial Professionals

21 Program.--

22 (1) The SUCCEED, FLORIDA! Crucial Professionals

23 Program is established to award funds to accredited

24 postsecondary educational institutions in the state on a

25 competitive basis to offer programs that meet the critical

26 workforce needs of the state and to maximize the number of

27 diplomas, certificates, and degrees that are awarded to

28 postsecondary education students in fields vital to the

29 residents of the state.

30 (2) Beginning with the 2006-2007 fiscal year, funds

31 appropriated by the Legislature to the Department of Education

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1 for the SUCCEED, FLORIDA! Crucial Professionals Program shall  
2 be distributed according to the provisions of this section.

3 (3) The department shall develop and issue annually a  
4 request for proposals. The department shall establish  
5 application procedures, guidelines, accountability measures,  
6 and timelines for implementation of the grant program.

7 (4) Proposals for a grant authorized pursuant to this  
8 section must:

9 (a) Indicate the number of students to be served, the  
10 length of the proposed program, and the total projected cost  
11 to students and the state. Funds for a grant provided pursuant  
12 to this section must be used to support new students and not  
13 to supplant current funding or students.

14 (b) Document the workforce need to be addressed.

15 (c) Demonstrate a pool of qualified applicants.

16 (d) Include a plan to increase the minority graduation  
17 rate and minority presence in the workforce.

18 (e) Be submitted by an accredited public or nonpublic  
19 postsecondary educational institution in the state that  
20 provides postsecondary instruction in a field specified in the  
21 priority list established pursuant to subsection (5). For  
22 purposes of this section, postsecondary educational  
23 institutions include school district career centers that offer  
24 postsecondary programs.

25 (f) Indicate the number of postsecondary diplomas,  
26 certificates, or degrees that the institution will award using  
27 funds received pursuant to this section and the fields in  
28 which the diplomas, certificates, or degrees will be awarded.

29 (g) Indicate how the funds received will leverage  
30 private industry contributions, grants, or scholarships and  
31 how the funds will be used to offset costs to the state for

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1 program startup or expansion or to offset student tuition  
2 costs.

3 (5) By March 1, 2006, and annually thereafter, the  
4 State Board of Education, the Board of Governors, and the  
5 board of directors of Workforce Florida, Inc., shall each  
6 advise the Legislature of the state's most pressing workforce  
7 needs for postsecondary instruction and the geographic  
8 locations of these needs. The Legislature shall annually  
9 establish a priority list for funds provided pursuant to this  
10 section in the General Appropriations Act.

11 (6) The rankings and decisions of the  
12 request-for-proposals process shall be made by the State Board  
13 of Education based on the priority list established pursuant  
14 to subsection (5).

15 (7) Grant recipients must enter into a contract with  
16 the state to produce a specific number of graduates in the  
17 designated program within a specific time period. Grant  
18 recipients must submit periodic reports to the department  
19 documenting compliance with the accountability measures  
20 established by the department.

21 (8) Subsequent to the first year of funding for the  
22 SUCCEED, FLORIDA! Crucial Professionals Program, priority for  
23 awarding grants shall be for renewal grants to programs that  
24 are making adequate progress toward their contracted  
25 production, including nursing programs and teaching programs  
26 at institutions that received funding from the SUCCEED,  
27 FLORIDA! Crucial Professionals Program during the 2005-2006  
28 fiscal year. Renewal award amounts shall be tied to student  
29 retention; the production of degrees, certificates, or  
30 diplomas; the number of graduates placed in the targeted  
31 professions in the state; or other accountability measures

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1 determined by the department.

2 1011.965 SUCCEED, FLORIDA! Crucial Professionals  
 3 Nursing Education Grant Program.--The SUCCEED, FLORIDA!  
 4 Crucial Professionals Nursing Education Grant Program is  
 5 established as a contract grant program within the Department  
 6 of Education to increase the capacity of nursing programs  
 7 approved by the Board of Nursing at postsecondary educational  
 8 institutions to produce more nurses or nursing faculty to  
 9 enter the workforce in the state. The department shall  
 10 establish application procedures, guidelines, accountability  
 11 measures, and timelines for implementation of the grant  
 12 program and advise all Board of Nursing approved programs  
 13 accordingly.

14 (1) Proposals for a grant authorized pursuant to this  
15 section must:

16 (a) Indicate the number of students to be served, the  
17 length of the proposed program, and the projected cost.

18 (b) Document the workforce need to be addressed  
19 through the expanded capacity of the existing nursing program.

20 (c) Demonstrate a pool of qualified applicants to fill  
21 the expanded capacity.

22 (2) Funds for a grant provided pursuant to this  
 23 section must be used to support new students and not to  
 24 supplant current funding or students. An institution applying  
 25 for a grant must certify to the department that it will not  
 26 reduce funding or the current level of enrollment in its  
 27 existing nursing program. Any such reduction shall result in a  
 28 pro rata reduction in the grant awarded pursuant to this  
 29 section.

30 (3) Priority in the awarding of new grants authorized  
31 pursuant to this section shall be given to proposals that

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1 comply with three or more of the following:

2 (a) Proposals that result in new nurses in the  
3 workforce or nurses moving to a higher level on the career  
4 ladder.

5 (b) Proposals that could be implemented as early as  
6 the fall of 2005.

7 (c) Proposals that include partnerships or  
8 collaborations with other institutions, programs, or health  
9 care providers.

10 (d) Proposals for programs offered at the worksite or  
11 through distance learning that permit nurses to achieve a  
12 higher level of nursing licensure.

13 (e) Proposals for accelerated programs that shorten  
14 the time required to receive a diploma, certificate, or  
15 degree; obtain licensure; and enter the workforce.

16 (f) Proposals that target exiting military personnel  
17 or other persons interested in making career changes.

18 (g) Proposals from nursing programs with demonstrated  
19 success as evidenced by graduation rates, licensure  
20 examination passage rates, and placement of graduates in  
21 nursing employment in the state.

22 (h) Proposals for programs that would address the  
23 state's need for rapid production of highly skilled clinical  
24 nurses and qualified nursing faculty, such as the fast-track  
25 baccalaureate to doctoral program, the Clinical Nurse Leader  
26 Program, and the Doctor of Nursing Practice program.

27 (4) Subsequent to the first year of funding for the  
28 grant program, priority for awarding grants shall be for  
29 renewal grants to nursing programs that are making adequate  
30 progress towards their contracted production.

31 (5) Grant recipients must enter into a contract

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1 between the postsecondary educational institution and the  
2 state to produce a specific number of nursing graduates within  
3 a specific time period.

4 (6) Nursing programs receiving grants pursuant to this  
5 section must submit periodic reports to the department  
6 documenting compliance with the accountability measures  
7 established by the department. Award amounts in subsequent  
8 years shall be tied to student retention; the production of  
9 degrees, certificates, or diplomas; and the number of  
10 graduates placed in a nursing position in the state.

11 (7) Proposals submitted pursuant to this section shall  
12 be reviewed by the Board of Nursing and the State Board of  
13 Education. Final approval and level of funding shall be  
14 determined by the State Board of Education with consideration  
15 given to comments submitted to the State Board of Education by  
16 the Board of Nursing.

17 (8) The State Board of Education shall monitor  
18 compliance with accountability requirements.

19 (9) By February 1, 2006, the State Board of Education  
20 shall submit a report to the President of the Senate and the  
21 Speaker of the House of Representatives on the status of  
22 implementation of the grant program.

23 1011.97 SUCCEED, FLORIDA! Career Paths Program.--

24 (1) The SUCCEED, FLORIDA! Career Paths Program is  
25 established as a grant program within the Department of  
26 Education to provide startup grants to offset implementation  
27 costs of partnerships between a district school board or the  
28 Florida Virtual School and one or more businesses, industries,  
29 or postsecondary educational institutions to operate a career  
30 and professional academy pursuant to s. 1014.21. The Office of  
31 Career Education in the department shall administer the

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1 startup grants.

2       (2) A district school board or the Florida Virtual  
3 School may apply to the Office of Career Education for a grant  
4 that must be provided through a competitive process and may be  
5 used only for a career and professional academy.

6       (3) A high school that currently has a career academy,  
7 career institute, industry-certified program, or  
8 preapprenticeship program as well as a charter technical  
9 career center shall be eligible to apply for a grant to  
10 redesign its programs to meet the rigorous and relevant  
11 academic standards of a career and professional academy.

12       (4) Curriculum and content developed in a career and  
13 professional academy as a result of a startup grant shall be  
14 made available to all school districts.

15       1011.98 SUCCEED, FLORIDA! Great Jobs Program.--

16       (1) The SUCCEED, FLORIDA! Great Jobs Program is  
17 established to award funds to public and private postsecondary  
18 educational institutions in the state on a competitive basis  
19 to produce more qualified and trained graduates to enter  
20 high-skill, high-wage occupations in the state.

21       (2) Beginning with the 2006-2007 fiscal year, funds  
22 appropriated by the Legislature to the Department of Education  
23 for the SUCCEED, FLORIDA! Great Jobs Program shall be  
24 distributed according to the provisions of this section.

25       (3) The department shall develop and issue annually a  
26 request for proposals. The department shall establish  
27 application procedures, guidelines, accountability measures,  
28 and timelines for implementation of the grant program.

29       (4) Proposals for a grant authorized pursuant to this  
30 section must:

31       (a) Indicate the number of students to be served, the

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1 length of the proposed program, and the total projected cost  
2 to students and the state. Funds for a grant provided pursuant  
3 to this section must be used to support new students and not  
4 to supplant current funding or students.

5 (b) Document the workforce need to be addressed.

6 (c) Demonstrate a pool of qualified applicants.

7 (d) Be submitted by a public or nonpublic  
8 postsecondary educational institution in the state that  
9 provides postsecondary instruction in a field that produces  
10 graduates prepared to enter an occupation identified in the  
11 priority list established pursuant to subsection (5). For  
12 purposes of this section, postsecondary educational  
13 institutions include school district career centers that offer  
14 postsecondary programs.

15 (e) Indicate the number of postsecondary diplomas,  
16 certificates, or degrees that the institution will award using  
17 funds received pursuant to this section and the fields in  
18 which the diplomas, certificates, or degrees will be awarded.

19 (f) Indicate how the funds received will leverage  
20 private industry contributions, grants, or scholarships and  
21 how the funds will be used to offset costs to the state for  
22 program startup or expansion or to offset student tuition  
23 costs.

24 (5) By March 1, 2006, and annually thereafter, the  
25 State Board of Education, using information provided by the  
26 Workforce Estimating Conference pursuant to s. 216.136(9),  
27 shall advise the Legislature of the workforce needs in  
28 high-skill, high-wage occupations and the geographic locations  
29 of these needs. The Legislature shall annually establish a  
30 priority list for funds provided pursuant to this section in  
31 the General Appropriations Act.



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1       (6) The State Board of Education must review proposals  
2 and determine funding to be provided based on the priority  
3 list established pursuant to subsection (5).

4       (7) Grant recipients must enter into a contract with  
5 the state to produce a specific number of graduates in the  
6 designated program within a specific time period. Grant  
7 recipients must submit periodic reports to the department  
8 documenting compliance with the accountability measures  
9 established by the department. The State Board of Education  
10 must monitor compliance with the accountability requirements.

11       (8) Final payments shall be tied to the number of  
12 degrees, certificates, or diplomas produced and the number of  
13 graduates placed in the state.

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15 (Redesignate subsequent sections.)

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18 ===== T I T L E   A M E N D M E N T =====

19 And the title is amended as follows:

20           On page 9, line 7, after the first semicolon,

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22 insert:

23           creating pt. VI of ch. 1011, F.S.; establishing  
24           the SUCCEED, FLORIDA! Crucial Professionals  
25           Program; providing for the appropriation of  
26           funds to the Department of Education to be  
27           distributed on a competitive basis to  
28           postsecondary educational institutions to offer  
29           programs that meet critical workforce needs;  
30           providing for a request for proposals and  
31           requirements of such proposals; requiring

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1 establishment annually by the Legislature of a  
2 priority list; providing for funding of  
3 proposals; providing requirements for grant  
4 recipients and renewal grants; establishing the  
5 SUCCEED, FLORIDA! Crucial Professionals Nursing  
6 Education Grant Program, a contract grant  
7 program for increasing the capacity of approved  
8 nursing programs; requiring the Department of  
9 Education to establish guidelines and  
10 procedures; specifying requirements for grant  
11 proposals; establishing priorities for receipt  
12 of grants; providing for review, approval, and  
13 funding of proposals; requiring the State Board  
14 of Education to submit a report on  
15 implementation status; establishing the  
16 SUCCEED, FLORIDA! Career Paths Program to  
17 provide career and professional academy startup  
18 grants; providing qualification criteria;  
19 establishing the SUCCEED, FLORIDA! Great Jobs  
20 Program; providing for the appropriation of  
21 funds to the Department of Education to be  
22 distributed on a competitive basis to  
23 postsecondary educational institutions to  
24 produce graduates to enter certain occupations  
25 in the state; providing for a request for  
26 proposals and requirements of such proposals;  
27 requiring establishment annually by the  
28 Legislature of a priority list; providing for  
29 funding of proposals; providing requirements  
30 for grant recipients;

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