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The Committee on Health Care (Peaden) recommended the following amendment:

**Senate Amendment**

On page 3, lines 1 and 2, delete those lines

and insert: establishing a contract grants program for increasing the capacity of nursing programs at public universities. Institutions may apply for grants from this program if the application includes a contract between the institution and the state to produce a specific number of nursing graduates within an appropriate time period. The division must give priority to institutions that target for enrollment and graduation exiting military personnel, students seeking postgraduate degrees, and students committed to serving as faculty within state public or private nursing programs. The division must encourage institutions to form public or private partnerships to match the grant through financial or in-kind contributions. Grants may be used for capital or operating purposes, including student financial assistance. The division will report to the Legislature by

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1 March 1, 2006, on this program.

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