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LEGISLATIVE ACTION

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The Committee on Education Postsecondary (Burgess) recommended the following:

**Senate Amendment**

Delete lines 31 - 53  
and insert:  
genetic counseling programs accredited by the Accreditation Council for Genetic Counseling. The Board of Governors shall award competitive grants to state universities to address faculty shortages, student financial barriers, and clinical training needs in genetic counseling.  
(2) Subject to appropriation, the board shall award funds



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11 to:

12 (a) Establish an accredited program at a state university  
13 through a one-time start-up grant based upon an application  
14 submitted in a format prescribed by the board. The application  
15 must include:

16 1. A detailed plan demonstrating how grant funds will be  
17 used to achieve program accreditation.

18 2. The projected outcomes of establishing the program,  
19 including all of the following:

20 a. The anticipated program enrollment.

21 b. The plan for hiring and retaining faculty for the  
22 program.

23 c. The anticipated program completion rates.

24 d. The anticipated first-time American Board of Genetic  
25 Counseling board certification examination passage rates.

26 e. The anticipated program contributions to the state's  
27 genetic counseling workforce.

28 3. Documentation demonstrating that the proposed program is  
29 supported by sufficient clinical training capacity consistent  
30 with nationally recognized accreditation standards and that the  
31 proposed growth represents a net increase in statewide training  
32 opportunities rather than a redistribution of existing  
33 supervision resources.