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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FLOOR AMENDMENT NO. _____

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1 Amend C.S.S.B. No. 1 (house committee printing) in Article II
2 of the bill, following the appropriations to the Department of
3 Family and Protective Services (page II-3), by adding the following
4 appropriately numbered rider:

5 _____. Grants for Faith-Based Community Collaborative
6 Programs. (a) Out of funds appropriated above to the Department of
7 Family and Protective Services for Goal B, Child Protective
8 Services, the department shall establish an innovation grant
9 program, administered by the Governor, to award grants to support
10 faith-based community programs that collaborate with the
11 department and the Health and Human Services Commission to improve
12 foster care and the placement of children in foster care.

13 (b) A faith-based community program is eligible for a grant
14 under this section if:

15 (1) the effectiveness of the program is supported by
16 empirical evidence; and

17 (2) the program has demonstrated the ability to build
18 connections between faith-based, secular, and government
19 stakeholders.

20 (c) The regional director for the department in the region
21 where a grant recipient program is located, or the regional
22 director's designee, shall serve as the liaison between the
23 department and the program for collaborative purposes. For a
24 program that operates in a larger region, the department may
25 designate a liaison in each county where the program is operating.
26 The department or the commission may not direct or manage the
27 operation of the program.

28 (d) The initial duration of a grant under this section is
29 two years. The department may renew a grant awarded to a program

1 under this section if the department determines that the program is
2 successful.

3 (e) The department may not award to a program grants under
4 this section totaling more than \$300,000.