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H.B. No. 71

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1  
2 relating to the temperature at which a facility operated by the  
3 Texas Department of Criminal Justice is maintained.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

5 SECTION 1. Subchapter A, Chapter 501, Government Code, is  
6 amended by adding Section 501.028 to read as follows:

7 Sec. 501.028. TEMPERATURE REQUIREMENTS AT DEPARTMENT  
8 FACILITIES. The department shall ensure that the temperature in  
9 each facility operated by the department is maintained at not less  
10 than 65 degrees Fahrenheit or more than 85 degrees Fahrenheit.

11 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives  
12 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as  
13 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this  
14 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this  
15 Act takes effect on the 91st day after the last day of the  
16 legislative session.