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S.B. No. 151

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the possession of certain photographs and images by inmates of the Texas Department of Criminal Justice.

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

SECTION 1. Chapter 500, Government Code, is amended by adding Section 500.009 to read as follows:

Sec. 500.009. POSSESSION OF CERTAIN PHOTOGRAPHS AND IMAGES PROHIBITED. The department shall adopt a policy that prohibits an inmate confined in a facility operated by or under contract with the department from possessing or otherwise obtaining a photograph or other image of a victim of the offense for which the inmate is serving a sentence.

SECTION 2. Not later than December 1, 2023, the Texas Department of Criminal Justice shall adopt the policy required by Section 500.009, Government Code, as added by this Act.

SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2023.