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S.B. No. 860

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to abolishing the Criminal Justice Legislative Oversight Committee.

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

SECTION 1. Chapter 328, Government Code, is repealed.

SECTION 2. Section 493.027(b), Government Code, is amended to read as follows:

(b) The director annually shall submit a report to each standing committee of the legislature with primary jurisdiction over the department ~~[the Criminal Justice Legislative Oversight Committee]~~ on the outcome of any meetings held under this section.

The report must:

(1) be signed by the director and each representative of an employee organization described by Subsection (a) that participates in the meetings; and

(2) include a statement from each party regarding the impact of the meetings on the recruitment and retention of department employees and on employee morale.

SECTION 3. Section 508.1445(a), Government Code, is amended to read as follows:

(a) The board annually shall submit a report to ~~[the Criminal Justice Legislative Oversight Committee]~~ the lieutenant governor, the speaker of the house of representatives, and the presiding officers of the standing committees in the senate and

1 house of representatives primarily responsible for criminal
2 justice regarding the board's application of the parole guidelines
3 adopted under Section 508.144.

4 SECTION 4. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
5 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
6 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
7 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
8 Act takes effect September 1, 2025.