BILL ANALYSIS

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DIGEST AND PURPOSE

Currently, Section 499.052 (State Boot Camp Program), Government Code, prescribes a State Boot Camp Program for certain offenders who are required to serve a maximum of 90 days in the Texas Department of Criminal Justice institutional division. However, the current 90-day statutory maximum does not provide sufficient time for properly processing an inmate and completing the full boot camp program. H.B. 1180 increases the 90-day maximum sentence for state boot camp participants to 180 days.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

This bill does not expressly grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, institution, or agency.

SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS

SECTION 1. Amends Section 8(a), Article 42.12, Code of Criminal Procedure, as follows:

(a) Requires the jurisdiction of a court in which a sentence requiring imprisonment in the institutional division of the Texas Department of Criminal Justice (TDCJ) is imposed for conviction of a felony to continue for 180 days, rather than 90 days, from the date on which the convicted person is received into custody by the institutional division, for the purposes of this section. Makes a conforming change.

SECTION 2. Amends Sections 499.052(a) and (d), Government Code, as follows:

(a) Makes a conforming change.

(d) Requires the institutional division of TDCJ to transfer the person from the program to any unit within the division, if on the 181st day, rather than the 90th day, after a person begins participation in the program the court has not suspended the imposition of the person's sentence of confinement,

SECTION 3. Makes application of this Act prospective.

SECTION 4. Effective date: September 1, 2003.