By: Hodge H.B. No. 31

Substitute the following for H.B. No. 31:

By: Mabry C.S.H.B. No. 31

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

- 2 relating to the provision of educational services to certain
- 3 inmates imprisoned in the institutional division of the Texas
- 4 Department of Criminal Justice.

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- 5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 6 SECTION 1. Subchapter A, Chapter 501, Government Code, is
- 7 amended by adding Section 501.020 to read as follows:
- 8 Sec. 501.020. IN-CELL EDUCATION. The department may
- 9 establish a policy to provide in-cell education to an inmate
- 10 confined in administrative segregation if:
- 11 (1) the inmate would benefit from the education; and
- 12 (2) the education can be provided to the inmate in a
- 13 way that does not pose a threat to the health or safety of any
- 14 department staff member or other inmate.
- 15 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
- 16 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
- 17 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
- 18 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
- 19 Act takes effect September 1, 2003.