By: Allen H.B. No. 2893

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

- 2 relating to the operations of the Commission on Jail Standards.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 4 SECTION 1. Section 511.003, Government Code, is amended to
- 5 read as follows:
- 6 Sec. 511.003. SUNSET PROVISION. The Commission on Jail
- 7 Standards is subject to Chapter 325 (Texas Sunset Act). Unless
- 8 continued in existence as provided by that chapter, the commission
- 9 is abolished and this chapter expires September 1, 2007 [2009].
- SECTION 2. Section 511.0093(a), Government Code, is amended
- 11 to read as follows:
- 12 (a) The commission may impose a <u>reasonable</u> fee on a private
- vendor that operates a correctional facility housing prisoners from
- 14 jurisdictions other than this state. The fee must reasonably
- 15 compensate the commission for the cost of regulating and providing
- 16 technical assistance to the facility.
- SECTION 3. Section 511.0101(b), Government Code, is amended
- 18 to read as follows:
- 19 (b) The commission shall prescribe a form for the report
- 20 required by this section. If the report establishes that a county
- 21 jail has been operated in excess of its total capacity for four
- 22 [three] consecutive months, the commission may consider adoption of
- 23 an order to prohibit confinement of prisoners in the county jail
- 24 under Section 511.012.

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SECTION 4. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this Act takes effect September 1, 2003.