By: Jones of Dallas H.B. No. 1383

Substitute the following for H.B. No. 1383:

By: Jones of Lubbock C.S.H.B. No. 1383

## A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

- 2 relating to a study of the expenses of health care for certain
- 3 elderly inmates.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 5 SECTION 1. INMATE HEALTH CARE STUDY. (a) The Texas
- 6 Department of Criminal Justice and the Correctional Managed Health
- 7 Care Committee shall conduct a study of the cost to the state of
- 8 providing health care services to inmates 55 years of age or older
- 9 who have serious medical conditions. The study shall:
- 10 (1) determine the number of inmates confined by the
- 11 department who are 55 years of age or older and who have serious
- 12 medical conditions; and
- 13 (2) estimate the potential amount of savings that
- 14 would result to the state in health care services costs if the
- 15 department were to release those inmates into the community on
- 16 parole.
- 17 (b) Not later than December 1, 2006, the department shall
- 18 submit a report to the legislature regarding the results of the
- 19 study conducted under this section.
- 20 SECTION 2. EXPIRATION. This Act expires January 1, 2007.
- 21 SECTION 3. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Act takes effect September
- 22 1, 2005.