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H.B. No. 1760

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to facilities requirements for county jails.

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

SECTION 1. Sections 351.007(a) and (b), Local Government Code, are amended to read as follows:

(a) A county jail cell designed for one person only must have a clear floor area of 20 [~~40~~] square feet or more.

(b) Any other housing area or day room in a county jail must have a clear floor area of 12 [~~18~~] square feet or more for each prisoner to be confined in the area or room.

SECTION 2. Section 351.013(a), Local Government Code, is amended to read as follows:

(a) A cell, compartment, or dormitory in a county jail must have for each prisoner one bunk that is not less than two feet [~~7~~ ~~three inches~~] wide and not less than six feet [~~7~~ ~~three inches~~] long.

SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2005.