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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

- 2 relating to the transfer of certain convicted felons from county
- 3 jail to the custody of the Texas Department of Criminal Justice.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 5 SECTION 1. Section 4, Article 42.09, Code of Criminal
- 6 Procedure, is amended to read as follows:
- 7 Sec. 4. If a defendant is convicted of a felony, is eligible
- 8 for release on bail pending appeal under Article 44.04(b), and
- 9 gives notice of appeal, he shall be transferred to the
- 10 Institutional Division of the Texas Department of Criminal Justice
- on a commitment pending a mandate from the Court of Appeals or the
- 12 Court of Criminal Appeals [upon request in open court or upon
- 13 written request to the sentencing court. Upon a valid transfer to
- 14 the institutional division under this section, the defendant may
- 15 not thereafter be released on bail pending his appeal].
- 16 SECTION 2. This Act applies to a defendant on whom a
- 17 sentence of a term of imprisonment in the institutional division of
- 18 the Texas Department of Criminal Justice is pronounced on or after
- 19 the effective date of this Act.
- 20 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2005.