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TO: Honorable Jerry Madden, Chair, House Committee on Corrections

FROM: John S. O'Brien, Deputy Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB1383 by Jones, Jesse (Relating to a study of the expenses of health care for certain elderly inmates.), **As Introduced**

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| No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated. |
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The bill would require the Texas Department of Criminal Justice (TDCJ) to conduct a study of inmates at least 60 years of age receiving health care services from TDCJ who may be released on parole with a reasonable belief that they will not engage in further criminal activity. The bill would require TDCJ to calculate the savings from releasing such inmates and report the findings to the Legislature. The bill would take effect September 1, 2005, and expire January 1, 2007. Because the cost of the study could be absorbed within TDCJ's existing resources, no significant fiscal implication to the state is anticipated.

Local Government Impact

No fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

Source Agencies: 696 Department of Criminal Justice

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