

**LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD**  
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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: HB1841** by Raymond (Relating to the efficient use by the Texas Department of Criminal Justice of county jail beds provided by contract between the department and counties.), **As Introduced**

<p><b>No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.</b></p>
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The bill would amend the Government to require the Texas Department of Criminal Justice (TDCJ) to develop methods of projecting the available number of county jail beds for confinement of TDCJ prisoners. The bill would also require TDCJ to develop a policy to determine which inmates would be the best candidates for confinement in county jail beds. The bill would require the Texas Commission on Jail Standards to assist TDCJ with the requirements of the bill.

**Local Government Impact**

No fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

**Source Agencies:** 405 Department of Public Safety, 409 Commission on Jail Standards, 696 Department of Criminal Justice

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