

**LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD**  
**Austin, Texas**

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**April 9, 2005**

**TO:** Honorable Ray Allen, Chair, House Committee on County Affairs

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

**IN RE: HB2198** by Madden (Relating to commissary operation in county jails and privately operated jail facilities.), **As Introduced**

<b>No fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.</b>
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The bill would permit a private vendor under contract with a county for operating jail facilities to operate a commissary for the use of the prisoners committed to the county jail. The bill would also expand the authorized uses of funds from commissary proceeds. The bill would take effect September 1, 2005.

**Local Government Impact**

Allowing an expanded use of commissary proceeds would provide a savings to a county by the county not having to use general revenue funds for those purposes. The savings would vary by county, depending on the county's applicable needs for which the commissary proceeds would be used and the level of proceeds received.

No significant fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

**Source Agencies:** 409 Commission on Jail Standards

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