

1 AN ACT

2 relating to a study of the expenses of health care for certain  
3 elderly inmates.

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

5 SECTION 1. INMATE HEALTH CARE STUDY. (a) The Texas  
6 Department of Criminal Justice shall conduct a study to determine  
7 the number of inmates 55 years of age or older who:

8 (1) receive health care services from the department;  
9 and

10 (2) have never been convicted of or received a grant of  
11 deferred adjudication for an offense described by Section 3g,  
12 Article 42.12, Code of Criminal Procedure.

13 (b) After determining the number of inmates described by  
14 Subsection (a), the department shall determine the amount of  
15 savings that would result to the state in health care services costs  
16 if the department were to release the inmates into the community on  
17 parole.

18 (c) Not later than December 1, 2008, the department shall  
19 submit a report to the legislature regarding the results of the  
20 study conducted under this section.

21 SECTION 2. EXPIRATION. This Act expires January 1, 2009.

22 SECTION 3. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Act takes effect September  
23 1, 2007.

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President of the Senate

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 429 was passed by the House on May 1, 2007, by the following vote: Yeas 146, Nays 1, 1 present, not voting.

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Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 429 was passed by the Senate on May 18, 2007, by the following vote: Yeas 30, Nays 0.

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Secretary of the Senate

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_

Date

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Governor