

Amend **CSSB 1** (house committee printing) in Article V of the bill, after the appropriations to the Department of Criminal Justice (page V-11), by adding the following appropriately numbered item:

\_\_\_\_\_. **PILOT PROJECT FOR INMATES WITH MENTAL ILLNESS.** From funds appropriated above to the Department of Criminal Justice that may lawfully be used for this purpose, the department shall use not less than \$500,000 in the state fiscal biennium ending August 31, 2011, to conduct a pilot project to reduce incarceration stays by individuals under the supervision or custody of the department who suffer from mental illness. The department shall contract with Texas Southern University for administration and oversight of the pilot project, which shall operate at two sites in the City of Houston and one site in the City of San Antonio, each of which must be certified as meeting the Clubhouse standards for organizations serving persons with a history of mental illness. Not later than February 1, 2011, the department shall submit a report to the legislature describing the operation of the pilot project and providing an analysis of the effectiveness of the project, including an analysis of cost savings to the state.