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S.B. No. 1844

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT
2 relating to revenue received from the provision of pay telephone
3 service to inmates confined in facilities operated by the Texas
4 Department of Criminal Justice.

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

6 SECTION 1. Section 495.025(c), Government Code, as added by
7 Chapter 100 (S.B. 1580), Acts of the 80th Legislature, Regular
8 Session, 2007, is reenacted to read as follows:

9 (c) The department shall transfer 50 percent of all
10 commissions paid to the department by a vendor under this section to
11 the compensation to victims of crime fund established by Subchapter
12 B, Chapter 56, Code of Criminal Procedure, and the other 50 percent
13 to the credit of the undedicated portion of the general revenue
14 fund, except that the department shall transfer the first \$10
15 million of the commissions collected in any given year under a
16 contract awarded under this section to the compensation to victims
17 of crime fund established by Subchapter B, Chapter 56, Code of
18 Criminal Procedure. This section does not reduce any
19 appropriation to the department.

20 SECTION 2. Notwithstanding Chapter 1418 (H.B. 3107), Acts
21 of the 80th Legislature, Regular Session, 2007, money dedicated by
22 Section 495.025(c), Government Code, as added by Chapter 100 (S.B.
23 1580), Acts of the 80th Legislature, Regular Session, 2007, to the
24 compensation to victims of crime fund established by Subchapter B,

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1 Chapter 56, Code of Criminal Procedure, is rededicated by this Act.

2 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2009.