

Amend **HB 26** on third reading by striking the second reading amendment by Brown, as amended, and substituting the following:

Amend **HB 26** by adding the following appropriately numbered SECTIONS to the bill and renumbering subsequent SECTIONS of the bill accordingly:

SECTION _____. Section 501.147(d), Government Code, is amended to read as follows:

(d) Notwithstanding Subsection (c) or any other provision of this subchapter ~~[For services that the public medical schools and their components and affiliates cannot provide]~~, the department ~~may~~ ~~[committee shall]~~ initiate a competitive bidding process for contracts ~~[with other providers]~~ for medical care to persons confined by the department.

SECTION _____. (a) The change in law made by this Act to Section 501.147(d), Government Code, does not affect a contract executed before the effective date of this Act. Such a contract is governed by the law as it existed immediately before the effective date of this Act, and that law is continued in effect for that purpose.

(b) The amendment of Section 501.147(d), Government Code, by this Act, prevails over any conflicting amendment of that section by **SB 1** of the 82nd Legislature, First Called Session, 2011, regardless of the relative dates of enactment.