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H.B. No. 1220

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1
2 relating to the restoration of certain inmates' good conduct time
3 that is forfeited during a term of imprisonment.

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

5 SECTION 1. Section 498.004(a), Government Code, is amended
6 to read as follows:

7 (a) If, during the actual term of imprisonment of an inmate
8 in the department or in a transfer facility, the inmate commits an
9 offense or violates a rule of the department, the department may
10 forfeit all or any part of the inmate's accrued good conduct time
11 or, in accordance with the policy adopted under Subsection (c),
12 place all or any part of the inmate's accrued good conduct time in
13 suspension. The department [~~may not restore good conduct time~~
14 ~~forfeited under this subsection but~~] may reinstate good conduct
15 time suspended under this subsection and, unless an inmate is
16 serving a sentence for an offense listed in Section 508.149(a), may
17 restore good conduct time forfeited under this subsection.

18 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
19 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
20 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
21 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
22 Act takes effect September 1, 2011.