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H.B. No. 2348

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1
2 relating to certain standards applicable to certain prisoners
3 confined in a county jail pending transfer to the Texas Department
4 of Criminal Justice.

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

6 SECTION 1. Chapter 511, Government Code, is amended by
7 adding Section 511.0089 to read as follows:

8 Sec. 511.0089. PRISONERS AWAITING TRANSFER: CLASSIFICATION
9 AND HOUSING. (a) Notwithstanding Section 511.009(a), the
10 commission may not adopt a rule that establishes classification
11 requirements and minimum housing standards for any prisoner
12 awaiting transfer to a facility operated by or under contract with
13 the Texas Department of Criminal Justice following conviction of a
14 felony or revocation of community supervision, parole, or mandatory
15 supervision and for whom all paperwork and processing under Section
16 8(a), Article 42.09, Code of Criminal Procedure, for transfer has
17 been completed.

18 (b) The sheriff shall establish the classification
19 requirements and minimum housing standards that apply to a prisoner
20 described by Subsection (a). The requirements and standards
21 established under this subsection must meet or exceed the
22 classification requirements and minimum housing standards for an
23 inmate imprisoned in a facility operated by or under contract with
24 the Texas Department of Criminal Justice.

1 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2011.