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TO: Honorable Garnet Coleman, Chair, House Committee on County Affairs

FROM: John S O'Brien, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB684 by Larson (relating to housing prisoners in a tent or other facility in lieu of a county jail.), **Committee Report 1st House, Substituted**

No fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Local Government Code to allow a county to house an inmate in a tent or other facility other than a county jail for the duration of the sentence. Current statute permits housing an inmate in such facilities at the request of a sheriff and the commissioners court of a county with the authorization of the Commission on Jail Standards. The bill would require the Commission on Jail Standards to adopt rules to govern the facilities.

Local Government Impact

No significant fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

Source Agencies: 409 Commission on Jail Standards

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