

Amend CSSB 213 (house committee printing) by adding the following appropriately numbered SECTION to the bill and renumbering the remaining SECTIONS of the bill accordingly:

SECTION _____. Subchapter E, Chapter 499, Government Code, is amended by adding Section 499.1091 to read as follows:

Sec. 499.1091. CLOSURE OF UNIT. The board may close one or more units and transfer the inmates housed in a unit being closed to another unit if the board determines that the total capacity of the units that will remain in operation after the closure will exceed the projected needs of the department. The board shall prioritize the closure of the units that are the least cost-effective for the department to operate, based on the Legislative Budget Board's most recent edition of the Criminal Justice Uniform Cost Report, relative to units of similar capacity that house inmates of the same classification.