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## A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

- 2 relating to county participation in a program for improvement of
- 3 collection of court costs, fees, and fines imposed in criminal
- 4 cases.

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- 5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 6 SECTION 1. Article 103.0033, Code of Criminal Procedure, is
- 7 amended by amending Subsection (c) and adding Subsection (h-1) to
- 8 read as follows:
- 9 (c) Unless granted a waiver under Subsection (h)(2) or (h-1)
- 10 [<del>(h)</del>], each county and municipality shall develop and implement a
- 11 program that complies with the prioritized implementation schedule
- 12 under Subsection  $\underline{(h)(1)}$  [ $\underline{(h)}$ ]. A county program must include
- 13 district, county, and justice courts.
- 14 (h-1) The office shall grant a waiver to a county that:
- 15 (1) contains within its borders a correctional
- 16 facility operated by or under contract with the Texas Department of
- 17 Criminal Justice; and
- 18 (2) has a population of 50,000 or more only because the
- 19 inmate population of all correctional facilities described by
- 20 Subdivision (1) is included in that population.
- 21 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
- 22 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
- 23 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
- 24 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this

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1 Act takes effect September 1, 2013.