By: Márquez, et al. (Senate Sponsor - Whitmire) H.B. No. 1083 (In the Senate - Received from the House May 11, 2015; May 12, 2015, read first time and referred to Committee on Criminal Justice; May 21, 2015, reported favorably by the following vote: Yeas 7, Nays 0; May 21, 2015, sent to printer.) 1-1 1-2 1-3 1-4 1-5

1-6	COMMITTEE VOTE				
1-7		Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
1-8	Whitmire	Х			
1-9	Huffman	Х			
1-10	Burton	Х			
1-11	Creighton	Х			
1-12	Hinojosa	Х			
1-13	Menéndez	Х			
1-14	Perry	Х			

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT

relating to a mental health assessment of certain inmates of the Texas Department of Criminal Justice. 1**-**17 1**-**18 1-19

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

SECTION 1. Subchapter B, Chapter 501, Government Code, is amended by adding Section 501.068 to read as follows: 1-20 1-21 --- ----

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1-23	(a) Before the department may confine an inmate in administrative
1-24	segregation, an appropriate medical or mental health care
1-25	professional must perform a mental health assessment of the inmate.
	(b) The department may not confine an inmate in
	administrative segregation if the assessment performed under
1-28	Subsection (a) indicates that type of confinement is not
1-29	appropriate for the inmate's medical or mental health.
1-30	SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2015.

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