By: Bonnen of Brazoria (Senate Sponsor - Hancock) H.B. No. 1914 (In the Senate - Received from the House April 20, 2015; May 6, 2015, read first time and referred to Committee on Criminal Justice; May 21, 2015, reported favorably by the following vote: Yeas 6, Nays 0; May 21, 2015, sent to printer.) 1-1 1**-**2 1**-**3 1-4 1-5

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| 1-8 | Whitmire | X | _ | | |
| 1-9 | Huffman | X | | | |
| 1-10 | Burton | X | | | |
| 1-11 | Creighton | X | | | |
| 1-12 | Hinojosa | | | X | |
| 1-13 | Menéndez | X | | | |
| 1-14 | Perry | X | | | |

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT

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relating to the frequency with which the Board of Pardons and ī**-**18 Paroles considers the eligibility of certain inmates for release on 1-19 parole.

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

508.141(g-1), SECTION 1. Section Government Code, amended to read as follows:

(g-1) The month designated under Subsection (g)(1) by the parole panel that denied release must begin after the first anniversary of the date of the denial and end before the fifth anniversary of the date of the denial, unless the inmate is serving a sentence for an offense under Section 22.021, Penal Code, or a life sentence for a capital felony, in which event the designated month must begin after the first anniversary of the date of the denial and end before the 10th anniversary of the date of the denial.

SECTION 2. The Board of Pardons and Paroles shall adopt a policy consistent with Section 508.141(g-1), Government Code, as amended by this Act, as soon as practicable after the effective date of this Act.

SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2015.

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