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H.B. No. 2888

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1
2 relating to an inmate's completion of classes or programs before
3 being released on parole.

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

5 SECTION 1. Sections 508.152(b-2) and (c), Government Code,
6 are amended to read as follows:

7 (b-2) At least once in every 12-month period, the department
8 shall review each inmate's individual treatment plan to assess the
9 inmate's institutional progress and revise or update the plan as
10 necessary. The department shall make reasonable efforts to provide
11 an inmate the opportunity to complete any classes or programs
12 included in the inmate's individual treatment plan, other than
13 classes or programs that are to be completed immediately before the
14 inmate's release on parole, in a timely manner so that the inmate's
15 release on parole is not delayed due to any uncompleted classes or
16 programs.

17 (c) The board shall conduct an initial review of an eligible
18 inmate not later than the 180th day after the date of the inmate's
19 admission to the institutional division. The board shall identify
20 any classes or programs that the board intends to require the inmate
21 to complete before releasing the inmate on parole. The department
22 shall provide the inmate with a list of those classes or programs.

23 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2017.