By: Parker H.B. No. 2897

Substitute the following for H.B. No. 2897:

By: Bowers C.S.H.B. No. 2897

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

2 relating to the provision of services by the Texas Department of

- 3 Criminal Justice's developmentally disabled offender program.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 5 SECTION 1. The heading to Section 501.069, Government Code,
- 6 is amended to read as follows:
- 7 Sec. 501.069. OFFENDERS WITH INTELLECTUAL OR DEVELOPMENTAL
- 8 DISABILITIES [DEVELOPMENTALLY DISABLED OFFENDER] PROGRAM.
- 9 SECTION 2. Section 501.069, Government Code, is amended by
- 10 adding Subsections (c-1), (c-2), and (e) and amending Subsection
- 11 (d) to read as follows:
- 12 <u>(c-1)</u> The department shall develop and identify community
- 13 resources to assist an offender described by Subsection (b) in
- 14 successfully reentering and reintegrating into the community.
- 15 (c-2) The department shall develop and implement a reentry
- 16 and reintegration plan that is person centered and based on the
- 17 individual needs of an offender described by Subsection (b). The
- 18 plan may include the coordination of treatment, identification of
- 19 housing assistance, and delivery of other transitional services.
- 20 (d) The department may accept gifts, awards, or grants for
- 21 the purpose of providing the services described by this section
- 22 [Subsection (b)].
- (e) Funds appropriated to the department may not be expended
- 24 to provide residential housing assistance to an offender described

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- 1 by Subsection (b) who is serving a sentence for an offense listed in
- 2 <u>Section 508.149(a).</u>
- 3 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2019.