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H.B. No. 2897

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1
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. Section 501.069, Government Code, is amended by
6 adding Subsections (c-1), (c-2), and (e) and amending Subsection
7 (d) to read as follows:

8 (c-1) The department shall develop and identify community
9 resources to assist an offender described by Subsection (b) in
10 successfully reentering and reintegrating into the community.

11 (c-2) The department shall develop and implement a reentry
12 and reintegration plan based on the individual needs of an offender
13 described by Subsection (b). The plan may include the coordination
14 of treatment, identification of housing assistance, and delivery of
15 other transitional services.

16 (d) The department may accept gifts, awards, or grants for
17 the purpose of providing the services described by this section
18 [~~Subsection (b)~~].

19 (e) State funds may not be expended to provide services
20 under this section to an offender who is serving a sentence for an
21 offense listed in Section 508.149(a).

22 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2019.