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TO: Honorable James White, Chair, House Committee on Corrections

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IN RE: **HB650** by White (relating to female inmates of the Texas Department of Criminal Justice.), **Committee Report 1st House, Substituted**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Government Code as it relates to the welfare of confined females within the Texas Department of Criminal Justice (TDCJ). Under the provisions of the bill, TDCJ would be required to provide certain correctional staff with training and provide females confined within correctional institutions with certain programming and services, as well as adopt certain rules and policies. The bill would require TDCJ to conduct a study of the agency's visitation policy as it relates to female offenders and their children. TDCJ states that no significant fiscal impact is anticipated. The bill would take effect on September 1, 2019.

Local Government Impact

No significant fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

Source Agencies: 696 Department of Criminal Justice

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