

Amend CSHB 3315 (house committee printing) as follows:

(1) On page 3, lines 10-11, between "shall" and "establish", insert ", subject to Subsection (d),".

(2) On page 3, immediately following line 27, insert the following:

(d) The commissioners court of a county is not required to establish a specialty court in accordance with this chapter. A program that is operated by a community supervision and corrections department and that substantially complies with this chapter is considered to be a youth pretrial intervention program for purposes of this chapter.

(e) Notwithstanding Subsection (c), the attorney representing the state may request, in writing, that the court in which the criminal case is pending refuse to allow an eligible defendant to proceed through the youth pretrial intervention program. If the court determines that the attorney representing the state has shown that adequate good cause exists, the court shall require the defendant to proceed through the criminal justice system.

(3) Add the following appropriately numbered SECTION to ARTICLE 1 of the bill and renumber subsequent SECTIONS of that article accordingly:

SECTION _____. Section 509.011, Government Code, is amended by adding Subsection (a-1) to read as follows:

(a-1) The supervision by a department of a participant in a youth pretrial intervention program under Chapter 127 or other law constitutes supervision by the department pursuant to lawful authority for purposes of Subsection (a).