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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

- 1 AN ACT
- 2 relating to limitations on the use of administrative segregation by
- 3 the Texas Department of Criminal Justice.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 5 SECTION 1. Subchapter D, Chapter 501, Government Code, is
- 6 amended by adding Section 501.115 to read as follows:
- 7 Sec. 501.115. LIMITATION ON USE OF ADMINISTRATIVE
- 8 SEGREGATION. (a) In this section, "serious bodily injury" has the
- 9 meaning assigned by Section 1.07, Penal Code.
- 10 (b) Except as provided by Subsection (c), the department may
- 11 not confine an inmate in administrative segregation for more than
- 12 three consecutive days based on misconduct by the inmate.
- 13 (c) The department may confine an inmate in administrative
- 14 segregation for not more than 10 consecutive days for engaging in
- 15 conduct that resulted in serious bodily injury to another person.
- SECTION 2. The change in law made by this Act applies to any
- 17 inmate who is confined in a facility operated by or under contract
- 18 with the Texas Department of Criminal Justice on or after the
- 19 effective date of this Act, regardless of whether the offense for
- 20 which the inmate is confined occurred before, on, or after the
- 21 effective date of this Act.
- 22 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2021.