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H.B. No. 3606

## A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT 2 relating to the provision of vocational training to inmates 3 confined in a Texas Department of Criminal Justice transfer 4 facility. BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS: 5 6 SECTION 1. Subchapter G, Chapter 499, Government Code, is amended by adding Section 499.156 to read as follows: 7 Sec. 499.156. VOCATIONAL TRAINING. The department shall 8 9 adopt a policy under which a representative of a public or private entity, including a public or private institution of higher 10 11 education, may provide vocational training on a voluntary basis to 12 inmates confined in a transfer facility authorized under this subchapter. 13 14 SECTION 2. As soon as practicable after the effective date of this Act, the Texas Department of Criminal Justice shall adopt 15 the policy required by Section 499.156, Government Code, as added 16 by this Act. 17

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SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2021.

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