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S.B. No. 996

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to a report on recidivism rates.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

SECTION 1. Chapter 322, Government Code, is amended by adding Section 322.0195 to read as follows:

Sec. 322.0195. RECIDIVISM REPORT. (a) The board shall prepare a biennial report on recidivism that includes rearrest, reconviction, and reincarceration rates. The report must include:

(1) statewide rates and rates for each county in this state; and

(2) information regarding:

(A) individuals who have served any part of a sentence in a county jail; and

(B) individuals who are rearrested, reconvicted, or reincarcerated in other states.

(b) In preparing the report, the board shall collaborate with the Department of Public Safety. The Department of Public Safety shall provide any information requested by the board for the purpose of preparing the report.

(c) The report may be included in any other report made by the board.

(d) Not later than December 1 of each even-numbered year, the board shall submit the report to the governor, lieutenant governor, and each member of the legislature.

1 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
2 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
3 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
4 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
5 Act takes effect September 1, 2023.