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S.B. No. 663

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the approval of a community supervision and corrections department's budget and strategic plan.

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

SECTION 1. Section 76.002(a), Government Code, is amended to read as follows:

(a) The district judge or district judges trying criminal cases in each judicial district and the statutory county court judges trying criminal cases in the county or counties served by the judicial district shall:

(1) establish a community supervision and corrections department; and

(2) review ~~approve~~ the department's budget and strategic plan following the division's approval of the budget and plan.

SECTION 2. Section 76.0045(b), Government Code, is amended to read as follows:

(b) The responsibility of a judge described by Section 76.002 for budgetary decisions is limited to:

(1) appointment of a fiscal officer; and

(2) review ~~approval~~ of the department's budget following the division's approval of the budget.

SECTION 3. Section 509.004(a), Government Code, is amended to read as follows:

(a) The division shall require each department to:

(1) keep financial and statistical records determined necessary by the division;

(2) submit the department's budget and ~~[a]~~ strategic plan and all supporting information requested by the division;

(3) present data requested by the division as necessary to determine the amount of state aid for which the department is eligible;

(4) submit periodic financial audits and statistical reports to the division; and

(5) submit to the Department of Public Safety the full name, address, date of birth, social security number, and driver's license number of each person restricted to the operation of a motor vehicle equipped with a device that uses a deep-lung breath analysis mechanism to make impractical the operation of the motor vehicle if ethyl alcohol is detected in the breath of the restricted operator.

SECTION 4. The heading to Section 509.007, Government Code, is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 509.007. DEPARTMENT BUDGET AND STRATEGIC PLAN.

SECTION 5. Section 509.007, Government Code, is amended by amending Subsection (a) and adding Subsections (a-1) and (a-2) to read as follows:

(a) The division shall require as a condition to payment of state aid to a department or county under Section 509.011 that:

(1) the department submit the department's budget for the state fiscal biennium and a strategic plan to the division; and

1 (2) the department's budget and plan be approved by the
2 division ~~[be submitted for the department. The department shall~~
3 ~~submit the plan required by this subsection. A department may not~~
4 ~~submit a plan under this section unless the plan is first approved~~
5 ~~by the judges described by Section 76.002 who established the~~
6 ~~department]~~.

7 (a-1) A ~~[The]~~ department shall submit a revised strategic
8 plan to the division each even-numbered year not later than March 1.

9 (a-2) A department's budget or strategic plan may be amended
10 at any time with the approval of the division.

11 SECTION 6. Section 140.004, Local Government Code, is
12 amended to read as follows:

13 Sec. 140.004. BUDGETS OF CERTAIN JUVENILE BOARDS ~~[AND~~
14 ~~COMMUNITY SUPERVISION AND CORRECTIONS DEPARTMENTS]~~. (a) This
15 section applies only to~~+~~

16 ~~[(1)]~~ a juvenile board, juvenile probation office, or
17 juvenile department established for one or more counties~~+, and~~

18 ~~[(2) a community supervision and corrections~~
19 ~~department established for a judicial district]~~.

20 (b) Before the 45th day before the first day of the fiscal
21 year of a county, a juvenile board ~~[and a community supervision and~~
22 ~~corrections department]~~ that has ~~[each have]~~ jurisdiction in the
23 county shall:

24 (1) prepare a budget for the board's ~~[or department's]~~
25 next fiscal year; and

26 (2) hold a meeting to finalize the budget.

27 (c) Before the 14th day before the juvenile board ~~[or~~

1 ~~community supervision and corrections department~~] has a meeting to
2 finalize its budget, the board [~~or department~~] shall file with the
3 commissioners court:

4 (1) a copy of the proposed budget; and

5 (2) a statement containing the date of the board's [~~or~~
6 ~~department's~~] meeting to finalize its budget.

7 (d) Before the later of the 90th day after the last day of
8 the juvenile board's [~~or community supervision and corrections~~
9 ~~department's~~] fiscal year, or the date the county auditor's annual
10 report is made to the commissioners court, the board [~~or~~
11 ~~department~~] shall file with the commissioners court a complete
12 financial statement of the board [~~or department~~] covering the
13 board's [~~or department's~~] preceding fiscal year.

14 (e) The financial statement required by Subsection (d) must
15 contain any information considered appropriate by the juvenile
16 board [~~or community supervision and corrections department~~] and any
17 information required by the commissioners court of each county in
18 which the board [~~or department~~] has jurisdiction.

19 (f) The budget for a juvenile board [~~or community~~
20 ~~supervision and corrections department~~] may not include an
21 automobile allowance for a member of the governing body of the board
22 [~~or department~~] if the member holds another state, county, or
23 municipal office. The budget may include reimbursement of actual
24 travel expenses, including mileage for automobile travel, incurred
25 while the member is engaged in the official business of the board
26 [~~or department~~].

27 SECTION 7. This Act takes effect September 1, 2025.