BILL ANALYSIS

H.B. 1015 By: Canales Corrections Committee Report (Unamended)

BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE

A recent study examined the effectiveness of community supervision imposed for offenders who have committed a state jail felony in Texas. The report produced as a result of the study recommended that the Texas Department of Criminal Justice notify the sentencing court of the date on which the defendant finishes serving 75 days in a state jail. H.B. 1015 seeks to implement this recommendation.

CRIMINAL JUSTICE IMPACT

It is the committee's opinion that this bill does not expressly create a criminal offense, increase the punishment for an existing criminal offense or category of offenses, or change the eligibility of a person for community supervision, parole, or mandatory supervision.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

It is the committee's opinion that this bill does not expressly grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, department, agency, or institution.

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H.B. 1015 amends the Code of Criminal Procedure to require the Texas Department of Criminal Justice, not later than the 60th day after the date a defendant is received into the custody of a state jail felony facility following a violation and subsequent revocation of the defendant's community supervision, to notify the sentencing court by e-mail or other electronic communication of the date on which the defendant will have served 75 days in the facility.

EFFECTIVE DATE

September 1, 2015.