

1-1 By: Schwertner S.B. No. 1879
1-2 (In the Senate - Filed March 4, 2025; March 17, 2025, read
1-3 first time and referred to Committee on Local Government;
1-4 April 7, 2025, reported favorably by the following vote: Yeas 6,
1-5 Nays 0; April 7, 2025, sent to printer.)

1-6 COMMITTEE VOTE

1-7	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
1-8	Bettencourt	X		
1-9	Middleton	X		
1-10	Cook	X		
1-11	Gutierrez	X		
1-12	Nichols	X		
1-13	Paxton	X		
1-14	West		X	

1-15 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
1-16 AN ACT

1-17 relating to the transfer of certain state property from the Texas
1-18 Department of Criminal Justice to Walker County.

1-19 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-20 SECTION 1. (a) As soon as practicable, the Texas Department
1-21 of Criminal Justice shall transfer to Walker County the real
1-22 property interests of the State of Texas and the department in the
1-23 tract of land described by Subsection (f) of this section.

1-24 (b) Walker County may use the property transferred under
1-25 this Act only for a justice center. If Walker County uses the
1-26 property for any purpose other than the purpose described by this
1-27 subsection or if Walker County fails to use the property for the
1-28 purpose described by this subsection before the 10th anniversary of
1-29 the date of transfer, ownership of the property automatically
1-30 reverts to the Texas Department of Criminal Justice.

1-31 (c) The Texas Department of Criminal Justice shall transfer
1-32 the property by an appropriate instrument of transfer. The
1-33 instrument of transfer must:

1-34 (1) provide that:

1-35 (A) Walker County may use the property only for a
1-36 justice center; and

1-37 (B) ownership of the property will automatically
1-38 revert to the Texas Department of Criminal Justice if Walker
1-39 County:

1-40 (i) uses the property for any purpose other
1-41 than the purpose described by Paragraph (A) of this subdivision; or

1-42 (ii) fails to use the property for the
1-43 purpose described by Paragraph (A) of this subdivision before the
1-44 10th anniversary of the date of the transfer; and

1-45 (2) describe the property to be transferred by metes
1-46 and bounds.

1-47 (d) The Texas Department of Criminal Justice shall retain
1-48 custody of the instrument of transfer after the instrument of
1-49 transfer is filed in the real property records of Walker County.

1-50 (e) Sections 31.158 and 31.159, Natural Resources Code, do
1-51 not apply to the transfer of real property authorized by this Act.

1-52 (f) The tract of land referred to in this section is
1-53 described as follows:

1-54 State of Texas 14.999 Acres
1-55 County of WALKER

1-56 EXHIBIT "A"

1-57 Field notes of a 14.999 acres (653,371 sq. ft.) out of a called
1-58 279.39 acres, lying and being situated in the P. Gray League, A-24,
1-59 Walker County, being the same land described in Volume 112, Page 52
1-60 of the Official Records of Walker County, Texas and being more
1-61 particularly described herein;

2-1 Beginning at a concrete monument found in the south margin of a 100'
 2-2 wide road (FM 2821), being the east margin of a variable width
 2-3 county road (Smith Hill Road), marking the northwest corner and
 2-4 point of beginning of the herein described 14.999 acres;
 2-5 Thence N 60°21'13" E, along and with the south margin of FM 2821, a
 2-6 distance of 159.94 feet to a concrete monument found, marking an
 2-7 interior corner of the herein described 14.999 acres;
 2-8 Thence continuing along and with the south margin of FM 2821 with a
 2-9 curve to the right having a radius of 3780.30 feet, an arc length of
 2-10 745.28, with a chord bearing of N 81°11'59" E, and a chord distance
 2-11 of 744.07 feet to a concrete monument found for an interior corner
 2-12 of the herein described 14.999 acres;
 2-13 Thence N 86°58'17" E, continuing along and with the south margin of
 2-14 FM 2821, a distance of 182.83 feet to a 1/2" iron rod set marked
 2-15 "Campbell - Sandoval" from which a concrete monument found bears N
 2-16 86°58'19" E, a distance of 557.10 feet marking the northeast corner
 2-17 of the herein described 14.999 acres;
 2-18 Thence S 03°53'37" E, departing the south margin of FM 2821, cutting
 2-19 across and through the called 279.39 acre parent tract, a distance
 2-20 of 634.00 feet to a 1/2" iron rod set marked "Campbell - Sandoval",
 2-21 marking the southeast corner of the herein described 14.999 acres;
 2-22 Thence S 85°53'14" W, cutting across and through the called 279.39
 2-23 acre parent tract, a distance of 1067.85 feet to a 1/2" iron rod set
 2-24 marked "Campbell - Sandoval" from which a 1/2" iron rod found bears
 2-25 S 03°56'02" E, a distance of 121.33 feet, said point being in the
 2-26 east margin of the aforementioned Smith Hill Road, marking the
 2-27 southwest corner of the herein described 14.999 acres;
 2-28 Thence N 03°56'02" W, along and with the east margin of Smith Hill
 2-29 Road, a distance of 507.71 feet back to point of beginning and
 2-30 containing 14.999 acres.
 2-31 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
 2-32 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
 2-33 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
 2-34 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
 2-35 Act takes effect September 1, 2025.

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