# Chapter 505

H.B. No. 2888

1 AN ACT 2 relating to an inmate's completion of classes or programs before 3 being released on parole. 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS: 5 SECTION 1. Sections 508.152(b-2) and (c), Government Code, are amended to read as follows: 6 7 (b-2) At least once in every 12-month period, the department 8 shall review each inmate's individual treatment plan to assess the 9 inmate's institutional progress and revise or update the plan as necessary. The department shall make reasonable efforts to provide 10 an inmate the opportunity to complete any classes or programs 11 12 included in the inmate's individual treatment plan, other than 13 classes or programs that are to be completed immediately before the 14 inmate's release on parole, in a timely manner so that the inmate's 15 release on parole is not delayed due to any uncompleted classes or 16 programs. 17 The board shall conduct an initial review of an eligible 18 inmate not later than the 180th day after the date of the inmate's admission to the institutional division. The board shall identify 19 20 any classes or programs that the board intends to require the inmate 21 to complete before releasing the inmate on parole. The department shall provide the inmate with a list of those classes or programs. 22 23 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2017.

President of the Senate

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 2888 was passed by the House on May 6, 2017, by the following vote: Yeas 138, Nays 2, 2 present, not voting.

Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 2888 was passed by the Senate on May 24, 2017, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

Secretary of the Senate

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# LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD Austin, Texas

# FISCAL NOTE, 85TH LEGISLATIVE REGULAR SESSION

# May 12, 2017

TO: Honorable John Whitmire, Chair, Senate Committee on Criminal Justice

FROM: Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB2888 by Romero, Jr. (Relating to an inmate's completion of classes or programs before

being released on parole.), As Engrossed

# No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Government Code to require the Board of Pardons and Paroles (BPP) to identify an offender's completion of classes or programs before being released on parole. The bill would also require the Department of Criminal Justice (TDCJ) to make a reasonable effort to have an offender complete any classes or programs so that release on parole is not delayed. TDCJ and BPP anticipates any additional work resulting from the provisions of the bill could be reasonably absorbed within current resources. The bill would take effect September 1, 2017.

# **Local Government Impact**

No fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

Source Agencies: 696 Department of Criminal Justice, 697 Board of Pardons and Paroles

LBB Staff: UP, KJo, ZB, AI, KVe

# LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD Austin, Texas

### FISCAL NOTE, 85TH LEGISLATIVE REGULAR SESSION

#### **April 23, 2017**

**TO**: Honorable James White, Chair, House Committee on Corrections

FROM: Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB2888 by Romero, Jr. (relating to an inmate's completion of classes or programs before

being released on parole.), Committee Report 1st House, Substituted

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# LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD Austin, Texas

# FISCAL NOTE, 85TH LEGISLATIVE REGULAR SESSION

# **April 11, 2017**

TO: Honorable James White, Chair, House Committee on Corrections

FROM: Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB2888 by Romero, Jr. (Relating to an inmate's completion of classes or programs before

being released on parole.), As Introduced

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