

1 AN ACT

2 relating to the capacity of certain correctional facilities
3 operated under contracts between the Texas Board of Criminal
4 Justice and a private vendor or county commissioners court.

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

6 SECTION 1. Section 495.001(b), Government Code, is amended
7 to read as follows:

8 (b) A facility operated, maintained, and managed under this
9 subchapter by a private vendor or county must:

10 (1) hold not more than an average daily population of
11 1,150 [~~1,000~~] inmates;

12 (2) comply with federal constitutional standards and
13 applicable court orders; and

14 (3) receive and retain, as an individual facility,
15 accreditation from the American Correctional Association.

16 SECTION 2. Section 495.007, Government Code, is amended to
17 read as follows:

18 Sec. 495.007. LIMITATION. The board may not enter into
19 contracts under this subchapter for more than 5,580 [~~4,580~~] beds.

20 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
21 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
22 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
23 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
24 Act takes effect September 1, 2007.

David Newkum

President of the Senate

Jim Caddick

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 198 was passed by the House on April 18, 2007, by the following vote: Yeas 135, Nays 0, 1 present, not voting.

Robert Haney
Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 198 was passed by the Senate on May 22, 2007, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

Ratsay Saw
Secretary of the Senate

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Date

RICK PERRY

Governor

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Secretary of State