## **BILL ANALYSIS**

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S.B. 661 By: Carona Criminal Justice 2/26/2001 As Filed

## **DIGEST AND PURPOSE**

Under current Texas law, information regarding special needs inmates may only be shared with certain authorized state agencies and certain people contracted by those agencies. As proposed, S.B. 661 adds a municipal or county health department, a hospital district, certain judges, and a special needs offender's attorney to the list of entities or individuals who are authorized to receive information regarding such inmates.

## **RULEMAKING AUTHORITY**

This bill does not expressly grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, institution, or agency.

## **SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS**

SECTION 1. Amends Section 614.017(c)(1), Health and Safety Code, to redefine "agency."

SECTION 2. Effective date: upon passage or September 1, 2001.