

- SUBJECT:** Reporting the age of first-time inmates formerly in foster care
- COMMITTEE:** Corrections — favorable, without amendment
- VOTE:** 9 ayes — White, Allen, Bailes, Bowers, Dean, Morales, Neave, Sherman, Stephenson
- 0 nays
- WITNESSES:** For — Ellen Stone, Texas Appleseed; Allison Franklin, Texas Criminal Justice Coalition; (*Registered, but did not testify*: Fatima Mann, Community Advocacy and Healing Project; Eric Kunish, National Alliance on Mental Illness Austin; Will Francis, National Association of Social Workers-Texas; Joshua Houston, Texas Impact; Lauren Rose, Texas Network of Youth Services)
- Against — None
- On — (*Registered, but did not testify*: Jason Clark, Texas Department of Criminal Justice)
- BACKGROUND:** Government Code sec. 501.023 requires the Texas Department of Criminal Justice (TDCJ) to submit to the governor, lieutenant governor, House speaker, and the relevant committees of the Legislature an annual report that summarizes statistical information concerning the total number of inmates who have at any time been in the foster care system.
- DIGEST:** HB 1191 would require the Texas Department of Criminal Justice (TDCJ) to report statistical information on the number of inmates, disaggregated by age, who previously were in foster care and were imprisoned for the first time.
- TDCJ would need to send this information by December 31 of each year to the governor, lieutenant governor, and each member of the Legislature and publish it on its website.

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The bill would take effect September 1, 2019.