

BILL ANALYSIS

H.B. 930
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Corrections
Committee Report (Unamended)

BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE

It has been noted that recidivism rates are high in Texas, but that it can be difficult to pinpoint its causes because data related to recidivism can be skewed from inconsistencies in policing, charging, and supervision. As such, there have been calls to standardize and collect more detailed information on recidivism. H.B. 930 seeks to address this issue by requiring the Legislative Budget Board, in collaboration with the Department of Public Safety, to prepare a detailed report on recidivism on a biennial basis.

CRIMINAL JUSTICE IMPACT

It is the committee's opinion that this bill does not expressly create a criminal offense, increase the punishment for an existing criminal offense or category of offenses, or change the eligibility of a person for community supervision, parole, or mandatory supervision.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

It is the committee's opinion that this bill does not expressly grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, department, agency, or institution.

ANALYSIS

H.B. 930 amends the Government Code to require the Legislative Budget Board (LBB) to prepare a biennial report on recidivism that includes rearrest, reconviction, and reincarceration rates and to submit the report to the governor, lieutenant governor, and each member of the legislature not later than December 1 of each even-numbered year. The bill sets out the required contents of the report and requires the LBB, in preparing the report, to collaborate with the Department of Public Safety, which must provide any information requested by the LBB for that purpose. The report may be included in any other report made by the LBB.

EFFECTIVE DATE

On passage, or, if the bill does not receive the necessary vote, September 1, 2021.