

BILL ANALYSIS

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DIGEST

Currently, Walker County is in need of office space for certain governmental departments and judicial services. The Texas Department of Criminal Justice (TDCJ) has offered to donate a building across from the Walker County Courthouse in order to alleviate Walker County's office space problems. This bill transfers certain state property from TDCJ to Walker County.

PURPOSE

As proposed, S.B. 463 transfers certain state property from the Texas Department of Criminal Justice to Walker County.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

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

SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS

SECTION 1. Requires the Texas Department of Criminal Justice (TDCJ) to transfer the real property described by Subsection (e) to Walker County by January 31, 2000. Authorizes Walker County to use the transferred property only for a purpose that benefits the public interest of the state. Requires Walker County to sell the property for fair market value under the procedures provided by Section 272.001, Local Government Code, and forward the proceeds to TDCJ if Walker County no longer uses the property for the required purpose. Requires TDCJ to deposit the proceeds received from the sale in the Texas capital trust fund. Requires TDCJ to transfer the property by an appropriate instrument of transfer. Requires certain provisions to be included in the instrument of transfer. Requires TDCJ to retain custody of the instrument of transfer after the instrument is filed in the Walker County real property records. Sets forth the legal description of the property to be transferred.

SECTION 2. Emergency clause.
Effective date: upon passage.