BILL ANALYSIS

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S.B. 704 By: Jackson Criminal Justice 4/7/2003 As Filed

DIGEST AND PURPOSE

Currently, the occupancy of a correctional facility operated by a city or county cannot exceed more than 2,000 inmates, on a daily basis. Galveston County and the city of Galveston are combining their inmates under one facility until the constructing a new jail house for all their detainees is built, and will exceed the cap of 2,000 inmates. As proposed, S.B. 704 increases the maximum inmate population of a correctional facility operated by a city or a county.

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 361.065, Government Code, to require a facility authorized by this subchapter to be designed, constructed, operated. and maintained to hold not more than an average daily population of 4,000, rather than 2000, inmates.

SECTION 2. Effective date: upon passage or September 1, 2003.