

## CHAPTER 845

## H.B. No. 1116

## AN ACT

relating to the use of temporary housing for certain inmates of the institutional division of the Texas Department of Criminal Justice.

*Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:*

SECTION 1. Section 501.111, Government Code, is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 501.111. TEMPORARY HOUSING [PROHIBITED]. (a) Except as provided by Subsection (b) and Subsection (c), the institutional division may not house inmates in tents, cellblock runs, hallways, laundry distribution rooms, converted dayroom space, gymnasiums, or any other facilities not specifically built for housing.

(b) Temporary housing may be used to house roving inmate construction crews and inmates temporarily displaced only because of housing renovation, fire, natural disaster, riot or hostage situations, if the institutional division provides those inmates with reasonable sanitary hygiene facilities.

(c) *The institutional division may house inmates in tents or tent-like structures unless prohibited by federal law or a specific court order.*

SECTION 2. The importance of this legislation and the crowded condition of the calendars in both houses create an emergency and an imperative public necessity that the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days in each house be suspended, and this rule is hereby suspended, and that this Act take effect and be in force from and after its passage, and it is so enacted.

Passed by the House on March 24, 1993: Yeas 134, Nays 0, 1 present, not voting; the House concurred in Senate amendments to H.B. No. 1116 on May 22, 1993: Yeas 127, Nays 0, 1 present, not voting; the House adopted H.C.R. No. 162 authorizing certain corrections in H.B. No. 1116 on May 26, 1993, by a non-record vote; passed by the Senate, with amendments, on May 13, 1993: Yeas 30, Nays 0; the Senate adopted H.C.R. No. 162 authorizing certain corrections in H.B. No. 1116 on May 26, 1993.

Approved June 19, 1993.

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