CHAPTER 17

H.B. No. 744

AN ACT

relating to a contract to provide that a justice center on the state line contain a jail annex for which the county in this state and the county in the other state are jointly responsible.

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

SECTION 1. Section 361.022(b), Local Government Code, is amended to read as follows:

- (b) The contract may provide that the justice center contain:
- (1) courtrooms and office space needed by municipal, justice, county, district, and appellate courts;
 - (2) jail, lockup, jail annex, and other detention facilities;
- (3) federal, county, precinct, and municipal offices for prosecuting attorneys and other personnel as needed;
 - (4) adult or juvenile probation offices;

- (5) other offices that either county or either municipality is separately authorized or required to operate or provide; or
- (6) parking facilities, dining areas, and other facilities incidental to the operation of the center.

SECTION 2. Section 361.026, Local Government Code, is amended to read as follows: Sec. 361.026. RESPONSIBILITY FOR OPERATION OF JAIL. The contract must provide:

- (1) that the sheriffs of the two counties are jointly responsible for the operation of any jail, lockup, jail annex, or other detention facility in the justice center and for the custody, care, and treatment of persons in custody in that facility; or
 - (2) for the employment of a jailer who shall exercise those responsibilities.

SECTION 3. 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 25, 1993, by a non-record vote; House concurred in Senate amendments to H.B. No. 744 on April 1, 1993: Yeas 137, Nays 0, 1 present not voting; passed by the Senate, with amendments, on April 1, 1993: Yeas 30, Nays 0.

Approved April 2, 1993.

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