TEXAS COMMISSION ON JAIL STANDARDS

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TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE MEMORANDUM

TO:

All Sheriffs and Jail Administrators

FROM:

Brandon Wood, Executive Director

REGARDING:

Inmate Release Times

DATE:

December 4, 2019

Inmate Release Times Enacted by SB 1700; §267.6

The Commission adopted the following new Minimum Jail Standards on November 7, 2019. Effective September 1, 2019.

§267.6. Inmate Release Times.

- (a) A facility shall release an inmate at any time beginning at 6 a.m. and ending at 5 p.m. on the day the inmate discharges the inmate's sentence.
- (b) A facility may credit an inmate with no more than 18 hours of time served and release the inmate at any time beginning at 6 a.m. and ending at 5 p.m. on the day preceding the day on which the inmate discharges the inmate's sentence.
 - (c) A facility may release an inmate from county jail after 5 p.m. and before 6 a.m. if the inmate:
 - (1) posts a bond;
 - (2) agrees to or requests a release after 5 p.m. and before 6 a.m.;
 - (3) is subject to an arrest warrant issued by another county and is being released for purposes of executing that arrest warrant;
 - (4) is being transferred to the custody of another state, a unit of the federal government, or a facility operated by or under contract with the Texas Department of Criminal Justice; or
 - (5) is being admitted to an inpatient mental health facility or a state supported living center for court-ordered mental health or intellectual disability services.

For more information, refer to TA Memo SB 1700 Inmate Release Times sent on September 26, 2019 or contact Will Turner at (512) 463-2690 or via e-mail at: will.turner@tcjs.state.tx.us.