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Tobacco-free prison system prompts death row inmates to quit working in protest

□ The tobacco ban which took effect on March 1 has prisoners demanding their cigarettes back.

HUNTSVILLE (AP) — Some Texas death row inmates upset over a recently imposed ban on tobacco are threatening a work stoppage at the nation's only prison factory staffed by condemned killers.

The job action, originally set for Monday, was put off at least temporarily when prison officials shut down the factory for construction work.

Inmates cautioned their protest could be thwarted by warnings from prison officials that participation would result in greater cell restrictions.

"A bunch of people here are really irritated," Randal Hafdahl, an inmate who has worked in the factory since it opened nine years

ago, said Wednesday. "Smoking was one of the only benefits we had in prison."

Texas Department of Criminal Justice spokesman David Nunnelee said the department was aware of reports that some inmates were unhappy but said the smoking ban was a convenient excuse.

Effective March 1, the entire Texas prison system — which includes some 70,000 inmates — became tobacco-free.

That included the Ellis I Unit garment factory northeast of Huntsville, where more than 100 of the state's 400 condemned prisoners make clothing and other sewn items for the Texas prison system and other state agencies.

Less troublesome death row inmates are allowed to participate in the work program. Although inmates are not paid for their work, they do have more freedom during the day than other prisoners confined most

hours to their cells.

"It gave me a sense of self-worth," said Hafdahl, convicted of fatally shooting an off-duty Amarillo police officer in 1985. "I thought it was a good opportunity for each man here to feel like he was more than what society was trying to say he was."

Carl Napier, another inmate worker, said the prospect of tighter confinement to his cell, fewer visits from friends and family members and cold meals would not deter him.

"If I were to kill someone in here, I would get far less punishment," he said.

Napier, condemned for the deaths of three people in a Harris County shooting in 1987, said the tobacco ban has driven some inmates to smoke mattress stuffing and broom straws.

"The ban has created the largest black market in the history of Texas," the 30-year smoker said.

A half-cigarette sells for more

than \$1.50, he said.

"All of a sudden, to take away tobacco, there's all the more pressure on us," Hafdahl said. "We already wake up every day with the pressure of a death sentence on us."

"What's going on now is the get-tough policy is working. And there's no sense in us working if we don't get privileges."

It's not likely the tobacco ban will be rescinded, Allan Polunsky, chairman of the Texas Board of Criminal Justice, said.

"I think it was a good thing for us to do," he said. "I've received a number of letters from inmates who either did not smoke or have stopped smoking. And the vast majority are in favor of what we've done."

"I think it's good policy and certainly will save the state millions of dollars over the years in health and legal costs ... I don't think it's created or caused any problems among the inmate population."

Senate committee considers welfare proposals

□ Two senate bills would require teen mothers to move back home and children of welfare recipients to stay in school to keep benefits.

AUSTIN (AP) — Children of welfare parents would have to attend school or lose their benefits and teen mothers living alone would be required to move back in with their parents under proposals considered Wednesday by the Senate Health and Human Services Committee.

After taking public testimony, the committee left several bills pending. Among them was a sweeping measure sponsored by state Sen. Judith Zaffirini, D-Laredo, that would essentially overhaul the state's welfare system.

Zaffirini's bill calls for a 24-month limit on people receiving cash assistance from the state, requiring mothers who have additional children while on welfare to identify the father and improving access to child care and job training.

"My bill is in no way punitive," Zaffirini said. "It is designed to help people get off welfare and stay off welfare. We want to help people to help themselves. It's positive in every way."

The House already has approved a welfare reform bill.

Zaffirini's bill also calls for automated fingerprint imaging to stop welfare fraud, would remove rules that discourage marriage for low-income couples and would use state education, training and employment funds to help teen parents stay in school and become self-sufficient.

Evonne Rodriguez, who is 16 with a 9-month-old son, told the committee she can't get a job or a driver's license because she has had to drop out of school to take care of her child.

"The only way to get out of poverty and make something of yourself is with an education," said Rodriguez, who was in the 10th grade at Austin Reagan High School before she dropped out. "But I can't get an education right now because I don't have access to child care. I have to take care of my son."

Rodriguez said her school has pursued truancy charges against her, causing the

state to withhold her right to a driver's license and limiting her ability to get a job.

Zaffirini said her bill addresses the problems of Rodriguez.

"If we are going to have mothers work, stay in school, we have to have child care," she said.

Two bills by Sen. Jane Nelson, R-Flower Mound, caused some concern among senators on the committee.

One measure would require children of welfare parents to attend school or lose their benefits while another would require mothers receiving welfare benefits to move back in with their parents.

Nelson said the bills are aimed at ensuring that children of welfare parents receive an education so that the cycle of government assistance is broken. She said teens should move back in with their parents to avoid the prospect of "children raising children."

Sen. Carlos Truan, D-Corpus Christi, criticized Nelson's measures. He said the state can't afford to cut already meager welfare payments that average \$160 for a family of three.

"We give billions of dollars to countries for foreign aid, but at home we are rather stingy in what we provide for the poor," Truan said.

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