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Substitute the following for H.B. No. 308:

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

2 relating to the places where a person may carry a handgun if the

- 3 person is licensed to carry a concealed handgun; amending
- 4 provisions subject to a criminal penalty.
- 5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 6 SECTION 1. Section 30.06(d), Penal Code, is amended to read
- 7 as follows:
- 8 (d) An offense under this section is a <u>Class C misdemeanor</u>
- 9 punishable by a fine not to exceed \$200, except that the offense is
- 10 <u>a</u> Class A misdemeanor <u>if it is shown on the trial of the offense</u>
- 11 that, after entering the property, the license holder was
- 12 personally given the notice by oral communication described by
- 13 Subsection (b) and subsequently failed to depart.
- 14 SECTION 2. Section 46.03, Penal Code, is amended by
- 15 amending Subsection (a) and adding Subsection (b-1) to read as
- 16 follows:
- 17 (a) A person commits an offense if the person intentionally,
- 18 knowingly, or recklessly possesses or goes with a firearm, illegal
- 19 knife, club, or prohibited weapon listed in Section 46.05(a):
- 20 (1) <u>unless pursuant to written regulations or written</u>
- 21 authorization of a school or educational institution, and
- 22 regardless of whether the school or educational institution is
- 23 public or private, on:
- (A) the physical premises of the $\left[\frac{a}{a}\right]$ school or

- 1 educational institution;
- 2 (B) the portion of $[\tau]$ any grounds or building on
- 3 which an activity sponsored by the [a] school or educational
- 4 institution is being conducted; $[\tau]$ or
- 5 (C) a passenger transportation vehicle of the $\left[\frac{a}{a}\right]$
- 6 school or educational institution[, whether the school or
- 7 educational institution is public or private, unless pursuant to
- 8 written regulations or written authorization of the institution];
- 9 (2) on the portion of the premises of a polling place
- 10 where voting or other election-related activities are occurring on
- 11 the day of an election or while early voting is in progress;
- 12 (3) on the premises of any government court or offices
- 13 utilized by the court, unless pursuant to written regulations or
- 14 written authorization of the court;
- 15 (4) on the premises of a racetrack;
- 16 (5) in or into a secured area of an airport; or
- 17 (6) within 1,000 feet of premises the location of
- 18 which is designated by the Texas Department of Criminal Justice as a
- 19 place of execution under Article 43.19, Code of Criminal Procedure,
- 20 on a day that a sentence of death is set to be imposed on the
- 21 designated premises and the person received notice that:
- 22 (A) going within 1,000 feet of the premises with
- 23 a weapon listed under this subsection was prohibited; or
- 24 (B) possessing a weapon listed under this
- 25 subsection within 1,000 feet of the premises was prohibited.
- 26 (b-1) It is a defense to prosecution under Subsection
- 27 (a)(1)(B) that at the time of the commission of the offense:

- 1 (1) the actor was carrying a handgun under the
- 2 authority of Subchapter H, Chapter 411, Government Code, and no
- 3 other weapon to which this section applies;
- 4 (2) the actor was not otherwise prohibited from
- 5 carrying the handgun under another provision of this code or other
- 6 <u>law;</u>
- 7 (3) the activity sponsored by the school or
- 8 <u>educational institution was a field trip; and</u>
- 9 (4) the actor was not a student, teacher, school or
- 10 school district administrator, or chaperone taking the field trip.
- 11 SECTION 3. Section 46.035, Penal Code, as amended by
- 12 Chapters 1214 (H.B. 1889) and 1222 (H.B. 2300), Acts of the 80th
- 13 Legislature, Regular Session, 2007, is amended to read as follows:
- 14 Sec. 46.035. UNLAWFUL CARRYING OF HANDGUN BY LICENSE
- 15 HOLDER. (a) A license holder commits an offense if the license
- 16 holder carries a handgun on or about the license holder's person
- 17 under the authority of Subchapter H, Chapter 411, Government Code,
- 18 and intentionally displays the handgun in plain view of another
- 19 person in a public place.
- 20 (b) A license holder commits an offense if the license
- 21 holder intentionally, knowingly, or recklessly carries a handgun
- 22 under the authority of Subchapter H, Chapter 411, Government Code,
- 23 regardless of whether the handgun is concealed, on or about the
- 24 license holder's person:
- 25 (1) on the premises of a business that has a permit or
- 26 license issued under Chapter 25, 28, 32, 69, or 74, Alcoholic
- 27 Beverage Code, if the business derives 51 percent or more of its

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- 1 income from the sale or service of alcoholic beverages for
- 2 on-premises consumption, as determined by the Texas Alcoholic
- 3 Beverage Commission under Section 104.06, Alcoholic Beverage Code;
- 4 (2) on the premises where a high school, collegiate,
- 5 or professional sporting event or interscholastic event is taking
- 6 place, unless the license holder is a participant in the event and a
- 7 handgun is used in the event; or
- 8 (3) on the premises of a correctional facility[+
- 9 [(4) on the premises of a hospital licensed under
- 10 Chapter 241, Health and Safety Code, or on the premises of a nursing
- 11 home licensed under Chapter 242, Health and Safety Code, unless the
- 12 license holder has written authorization of the hospital or nursing
- 13 home administration, as appropriate;
- 14 [(5) in an amusement park; or
- [(6) on the premises of a church, synagogue, or other
- 16 <u>established place of religious worship</u>].
- 17 (c) A license holder commits an offense if the license
- 18 holder intentionally, knowingly, or recklessly carries a handgun
- 19 under the authority of Subchapter H, Chapter 411, Government Code,
- 20 regardless of whether the handgun is concealed, at any meeting of a
- 21 governmental entity.
- 22 (d) A license holder commits an offense if, while
- 23 intoxicated, the license holder carries a handgun under the
- 24 authority of Subchapter H, Chapter 411, Government Code, regardless
- 25 of whether the handgun is concealed.
- 26 (e) A license holder who is licensed as a security officer
- 27 under Chapter 1702, Occupations Code, and employed as a security

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- officer commits an offense if, while in the course and scope of the 1
- security officer's employment, the security officer violates a 2
- 3 provision of Subchapter H, Chapter 411, Government Code.
- 4 In this section:

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- ["Amusement park" means a permanent indoor or (1)outdoor facility or park where amusement rides are available for use by the public that is located in a county with a population of 8 more than one million, encompasses at least 75 acres in surface area, is enclosed with access only through controlled entries, is 9 open for operation more than 120 days in each calendar year, and has security guards on the premises at all times. The term does not 11 include any public or private driveway, street, sidewalk or walkway, parking lot, parking garage, or other parking area.
- 14 $\left[\frac{(2)}{2}\right]$ "License holder" means a person licensed to 15 carry a handgun under Subchapter H, Chapter 411, Government Code.
- (2) $[\frac{(3)}{(3)}]$ "Premises" means a building or a portion of 16 17 a building. The term does not include any public or private driveway, street, sidewalk or walkway, parking lot, parking garage, 18 19 or other parking area.
- (g) An offense under this section (Subsection (a), (b), (c), 20 (d), or (e)] is a Class \underline{C} [A] misdemeanor, unless the offense is 21 committed under Subsection (d) or the license holder has previously 22 been convicted of an offense under this section [(b)(1) or (b)(3)], 23 in which event the offense is a Class A misdemeanor [felony of the 24 third degree]. 25
- 26 (h) It is a defense to prosecution under Subsection (a) that the actor, at the time of the commission of the offense, displayed 27

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- 1 the handgun under circumstances in which the actor would have been
- 2 justified in the use of force or deadly force under Chapter 9.
- 3 (h-1) It is a defense to prosecution under Subsections (b)
- 4 and (c) that the actor, at the time of the commission of the
- 5 offense, was:
- 6 (1) an active judicial officer, as defined by Section
- 7 411.201, Government Code; or
- 8 (2) a bailiff designated by the active judicial
- 9 officer and engaged in escorting the officer.
- 10 [(h-1) It is a defense to prosecution under Subsections
- 11 $\frac{(b)(1)}{(2)}$, and $\frac{(4)-(6)}{(4)}$, and $\frac{(c)}{(c)}$ that at the time of the commission
- 12 of the offense, the actor was:
- 13 [(1) a judge or justice of a federal court;
- 14 [(2) an active judicial officer, as defined by Section
- 15 411.201, Government Code; or
- 16 [(3) a district attorney, assistant district
- 17 attorney, criminal district attorney, assistant criminal district
- 18 attorney, county attorney, or assistant county attorney.
- 19 (i) Subsection [Subsections (b)(4), (b)(5), (b)(6), and]
- 20 (c) does [does] not apply if the actor was not given effective notice
- 21 under Section 30.06.
- 22 (j) Subsections (a) and (b)(1) do not apply to a historical
- 23 reenactment performed in compliance with the rules of the Texas
- 24 Alcoholic Beverage Commission.
- 25 (k) It is a defense to prosecution under Subsection (b)(1)
- 26 that the actor was not given effective notice under Section
- 27 411.204, Government Code.

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- 1 SECTION 4. Section 411.201(a)(2), Government Code, is
- 2 amended to read as follows:
- 3 (2) "Retired judicial officer" means:
- 4 (A) a special judge appointed under Section
- 5 26.023 or 26.024; [or]
- 6 (B) a senior judge designated under Section
- 7 75.001 or a judicial officer as designated or defined by Section
- 8 75.001, 831.001, or 836.001; or
- 9 <u>(C) a retired federal judge who is a resident of</u>
- 10 this state.
- SECTION 5. Section 411.204(c), Government Code, is amended
- 12 to read as follows:
- 13 (c) The sign required under Subsection [Subsections] (a)
- 14 [and (b)] must give notice in both English and Spanish that it is
- 15 unlawful for a person licensed under this subchapter to carry a
- 16 handgun on the premises. The sign must appear in contrasting colors
- 17 with block letters at least one inch in height and must include on
- 18 its face the number "51" printed in solid red at least five inches
- 19 in height. The sign shall be displayed in a conspicuous manner
- 20 clearly visible to the public.
- 21 SECTION 6. Section 411.204(b), Government Code, is
- 22 repealed.
- 23 SECTION 7. The change in law made by this Act applies only
- 24 to an offense committed on or after the effective date of this Act.
- 25 An offense committed before the effective date of this Act is
- 26 governed by the law in effect when the offense was committed, and
- 27 the former law is continued in effect for that purpose. For

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- 1 purposes of this section, an offense was committed before the
- 2 effective date of this Act if any element of the offense occurred
- 3 before that date.
- SECTION 8. This Act takes effect January 1, 2016.