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relating to the method of payment for a concealed handgun license and the fee for a duplicate or modified license.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

SECTION 1. Section 411.196, Government Code, is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 411.196. METHOD OF PAYMENT. A person may pay a fee required by this subchapter [only] by cash, credit card, personal check, cashier's check, or money order. A person who pays a fee required by this subchapter by cash must pay the fee in person. Checks or money orders must be made payable to the "Texas Department of Public Safety[," or any other method approved by the department]." A person whose payment for a fee required by this subchapter is dishonored or reversed must pay any future fees required by this subchapter by cashier's check or money order made payable to the "Texas Department of Public Safety." A fee received by the department under this subchapter is nonrefundable.

SECTION 2. Section 411.186, Government Code, is amended by amending Subsections (a) and (c) and adding Subsection (d) to read as follows:

- (a) A license may be revoked under this section if the license holder:
- (1) was not entitled to the license at the time it was issued;
 - (2) gave false information on the application;
- (3) subsequently becomes ineligible for a license under Section 411.172, unless the sole basis for the ineligibility is that the license holder is charged with the commission of a Class A or Class B misdemeanor or an offense under Section 42.01, Penal Code, or of a felony under an information or indictment;
- (4) is convicted of an offense under Section 46.035, Penal Code; $[\frac{or}{e}]$
- (5) is determined by the department to have engaged in conduct constituting a reason to suspend a license listed in Section 411.187(a) after the person's license has been previously suspended twice for the same reason; or
- (6) submits an application fee that is dishonored or reversed.
- (c) A license holder whose license is revoked for a reason listed in <u>Subsections (a)(1)-(5)</u> [this section] may reapply as a new applicant for the issuance of a license under this subchapter after the second anniversary of the date of the revocation if the cause for revocation does not exist on the date of the second anniversary. If the cause for revocation exists on the date of the second anniversary after the date of revocation, the license holder may not apply for a new license until the cause for revocation no longer exists and has not existed for a period of two years.
- (d) A license holder whose license is revoked under Subsection (a)(6) may reapply for an original or renewed license at any time, provided the application fee and a dishonored payment charge of \$25 is paid by cashier's check or money order made payable to the "Texas Department of Public Safety."

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SECTION 3. Section 411.181, Government Code, is amended by amending Subsection (d) and adding Subsection (i) to read as follows:

- (d) The department shall charge a license holder a fee of \$10 [\$25] for a duplicate license.
 - (i) A license holder whose application fee for a duplicate

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license under this section is dishonored or reversed may reapply for a duplicate license at any time, provided the application fee and a dishonored payment charge of \$25 is paid by cashier's check or money order made payable to the "Texas Department of Public Safety."

SECTION 4. Section 411.184, Government Code, is amended by amending Subsection (a) and adding Subsection (e) to read as follows:

- (a) To modify a license to allow a license holder to carry a handgun of a different category than the license indicates, the license holder must:
- (1) complete a proficiency examination as provided by Section 411.188(e);
- (2) obtain a handgun proficiency certificate under Section 411.189 not more than six months before the date of application for a modified license; and

(3) submit to the department:

- (A) an application for a modified license on a form provided by the department;
- (B) a copy of the handgun proficiency certificate;
- (C) payment of a modified license fee of $\frac{$10}{$25}$; and
- $\mbox{\ensuremath{(\mbox{\ensuremath{D}})}}$ two recent color passport photographs of the license holder.
- (e) A license holder whose application fee for a modified license under this section is dishonored or reversed may reapply for a modified license at any time, provided the application fee and a dishonored payment charge of \$25 is paid by cashier's check or money order made payable to the "Texas Department of Public Safety."
- SECTION 5. The change in law made by this Act applies only to an applicant for an original, renewed, duplicate, or modified license under Chapter 411, Government Code, as amended by this Act, who submits the application on or after the effective date of this Act.

SECTION 6. This Act takes effect September 1, 2005.

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