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H.B. No. 1549

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to certain warning signs required on certain premises.

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

SECTION 1. Section 11.041(a), Alcoholic Beverage Code, is amended to read as follows:

(a) Each holder of a permit who is not otherwise required to display a sign under Section 411.204, Government Code, shall display in a prominent place on the permit holder's premises a sign giving notice that it is unlawful for a person to carry a weapon on the premises unless the weapon is a concealed handgun of the same category the person is licensed to carry under Subchapter H, Chapter 411, Government Code. The sign must also indicate that the prohibition does not apply to peace officers or certain other persons who, under Section 46.15, Penal Code, are exempt from the prohibition.

SECTION 2. Section 61.11(a), Alcoholic Beverage Code, is amended to read as follows:

(a) Each holder of a license who is not otherwise required to display a sign under Section 411.204, Government Code, shall display in a prominent place on the license holder's premises a sign giving notice that it is unlawful for a person to carry a weapon on the premises unless the weapon is a concealed handgun of the same category the person is licensed to carry under Subchapter H, Chapter 411, Government Code. The sign must also indicate that the

1 prohibition does not apply to peace officers or certain other  
2 persons who, under Section 46.15, Penal Code, are exempt from the  
3 prohibition.

4 SECTION 3. Section 411.204(c), Government Code, is amended  
5 to read as follows:

6 (c) The sign required under Subsections (a) and (b) must  
7 give notice in both English and Spanish that it is unlawful for a  
8 person licensed under this subchapter to carry a handgun on the  
9 premises. The sign must also indicate that the prohibition does not  
10 apply to peace officers or certain other persons who, under Section  
11 46.15, Penal Code, are exempt from the prohibition. The sign must  
12 appear in contrasting colors with block letters at least one inch in  
13 height and must include on its face the number "51" printed in solid  
14 red at least five inches in height. The sign shall be displayed in a  
15 conspicuous manner clearly visible to the public.

16 SECTION 4. This Act takes effect September 1, 2005.