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Substitute the following for H.B. No. 220:

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## A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

- 2 relating to the rights and liabilities of an employer with respect
- 3 to the carrying of a concealed handgun.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 5 SECTION 1. Section 411.203, Government Code, is amended to
- 6 read as follows:
- 7 Sec. 411.203. RIGHTS OF EMPLOYERS. (a) Except as provided
- 8 by Subsection (b), this [This] subchapter does not prevent or
- 9 otherwise limit the right of a public or private employer to
- 10 prohibit persons who are licensed under this subchapter from
- 11 carrying a concealed handgun on the premises of the business.
- (b) Except as otherwise provided by this subsection, a
- 13 public or private employer may not establish, maintain, or enforce
- 14 any policy or rule that has the effect of prohibiting a person
- 15 licensed under this subchapter from transporting or storing a
- 16 concealed handgun in a locked vehicle in any parking lot, parking
- 17 garage, or other designated parking area. A private employer may
- 18 prohibit an employee from transporting or storing a concealed
- 19 handgun in a vehicle in a parking lot, parking garage, or other
- 20 parking area the employer provides for employees if:
- 21 (1) the parking lot, garage, or other area is
- 22 completely surrounded by a fence or other structure with a gate
- 23 access and is not open to the public; and
- 24 (2) ingress to and egress from the parking lot,

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- 1 garage, or other area are constantly monitored by security
- 2 <u>personnel.</u>
- 3 <u>(c) This section does not authorize a person licensed under</u>
- 4 this subchapter to carry a concealed handgun on any premises where
- 5 the carrying of a concealed handgun is prohibited by state or
- 6 federal law.
- 7 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2007.