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H.B. No. 954

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to extending to veterans of the armed forces the discount for concealed handgun licenses currently available to active members of the armed forces.

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

SECTION 1. Section 411.1951, Government Code, is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 411.1951. REDUCTION OF FEES FOR MEMBERS OR VETERANS OF UNITED STATES ARMED FORCES. (a) In this section, "veteran" means a person who:

(1) has served in:

(A) the army, navy, air force, coast guard, or marine corps of the United States;

(B) the state military forces as defined by Section 431.001; or

(C) an auxiliary service of one of those branches of the armed forces; and

(2) has retired or been honorably discharged from the branch of the service in which the person served.

(b) Notwithstanding any other provision of this subchapter, the department shall reduce by 50 percent any fee required for the issuance of an original, duplicate, modified, or renewed license under this subchapter if the applicant for the license is a member or veteran of the United States armed forces, including a member or

1 veteran of the reserves, national guard, or state guard.

2 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2007.