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H.B. No. 1701

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1
2 relating to an exemption from the physical demonstration of
3 proficiency portion of the proficiency examination to obtain or
4 renew a concealed handgun license for certain persons.

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

6 SECTION 1. The heading to Section 411.1881, Government
7 Code, is amended to read as follows:

8 Sec. 411.1881. EXEMPTION FROM INSTRUCTION AND PHYSICAL
9 DEMONSTRATION OF HANDGUN PROFICIENCY FOR CERTAIN PERSONS.

10 SECTION 2. Section 411.1881, Government Code, is amended by
11 adding Subsection (a-1) and amending Subsection (b) to read as
12 follows:

13 (a-1) A person described by Subsection (a)(1) is not
14 required to complete a physical demonstration of proficiency under
15 Section 411.188(d)(2) as part of a proficiency examination to
16 obtain or renew a license if the person has, within the five years
17 preceding the date of the person's application for an original or
18 renewed license, as applicable, performed an equivalent physical
19 demonstration of proficiency as part of the person's service with
20 the armed forces or state military forces.

21 (b) The director by rule shall adopt a procedure by which a
22 license holder who is exempt under Subsection (a) from the range
23 instruction portion of the handgun proficiency requirement or under
24 Subsection (a-1) from the physical demonstration of proficiency

1 portion of the proficiency examination may submit a form
2 demonstrating the license holder's qualification for an exemption
3 under either or both of those subsections [~~that subsection~~]. The
4 form must provide sufficient information to allow the department to
5 verify whether the license holder qualifies for the exemption.

6 SECTION 3. The change in law made by this Act applies only
7 to a concealed handgun license issued or renewed on or after the
8 effective date of this Act. A concealed handgun license issued or
9 renewed before the effective date of this Act is covered by the law
10 in effect on the date the license was issued or renewed, and the
11 former law is continued in effect for that purpose.

12 SECTION 4. This Act takes effect September 1, 2011.