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H.B. No. 333

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to requiring notice of a hotel's firearms policy and other guest policies; providing a criminal penalty.

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

SECTION 1. Chapter 2155, Occupations Code, is amended by adding Subchapter C to read as follows:

SUBCHAPTER C. FIREARMS POLICY NOTICE

Sec. 2155.101. DEFINITION. In this subchapter, "hotel" has the meaning assigned by Section 156.001, Tax Code.

Sec. 2155.102. APPLICABILITY OF SUBCHAPTER. This subchapter applies only to a hotel that has a policy prohibiting or restricting the possession, storage, or transportation of firearms by hotel guests.

Sec. 2155.103. NOTICE REGARDING FIREARMS POLICY. (a) A hotel shall include on the hotel's Internet reservation website the hotel's policy regarding the possession, storage, and transportation of firearms.

(b) If a hotel provides a written confirmation or a written statement of terms and conditions to a consumer after accepting the consumer's hotel reservation by telephone, the hotel shall include information specifying how the consumer may review applicable guest policies. The guest policies must indicate the hotel's policy regarding the possession, storage, and transportation of firearms by guests.

1 (c) A hotel owner or keeper commits an offense if the person
2 does not comply with this section. An offense under this subsection
3 is a misdemeanor punishable by a fine of not more than \$100.

4 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2013.