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S.B. No. 858

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1
2 relating to the number of classroom hours required in a handgun
3 proficiency course that is taken to obtain a concealed handgun
4 license.

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

6 SECTION 1. Section 411.188(b), Government Code, is amended
7 to read as follows:

8 (b) Only a qualified handgun instructor may administer a
9 handgun proficiency course. The classroom instruction part of the
10 handgun proficiency course must include at least four [~~10~~] hours
11 and not more than six [~~15~~] hours of instruction on:

12 (1) the laws that relate to weapons and to the use of
13 deadly force;

14 (2) handgun use, proficiency, and safety;

15 (3) nonviolent dispute resolution; and

16 (4) proper storage practices for handguns with an
17 emphasis on storage practices that eliminate the possibility of
18 accidental injury to a child.

19 SECTION 2. The change in law made by this Act applies only
20 to an application for a license to carry a concealed handgun
21 submitted on or after the effective date of this Act. An
22 application submitted before the effective date of this Act is
23 governed by the law in effect when the application was submitted,
24 and the former law is continued in effect for that purpose.

1 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2013.