

AN ACT

relating to the certification of certain qualified handgun instructors to conduct school safety training.

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

SECTION 1. Subchapter H, Chapter 411, Government Code, is amended by adding Section 411.1901 to read as follows:

Sec. 411.1901. SCHOOL SAFETY CERTIFICATION FOR QUALIFIED HANDGUN INSTRUCTORS. (a) The department shall establish a process to enable qualified handgun instructors certified under Section 411.190 to obtain an additional certification in school safety. The process must include a school safety certification course that provides training in the following:

(1) the protection of students;

(2) interaction of license holders with first responders;

(3) tactics for denying an intruder entry into a classroom or school facility; and

(4) methods for increasing a license holder's accuracy with a handgun while under duress.

(b) The school safety certification course under Subsection (a) must include not less than 15 hours and not more than 20 hours of instruction.

(c) A qualified handgun instructor certified in school safety under this section may provide school safety training,

1 including instruction in the subjects listed under Subsection (a),
2 to employees of a school district or an open-enrollment charter
3 school who hold a license to carry a concealed handgun issued under
4 this subchapter.

5 (d) The department shall establish a fee in an amount that
6 is sufficient to cover the costs of the school safety certification
7 under this section.

8 (e) The department may adopt rules to administer this
9 section.

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

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President of the Senate

Speaker of the House

I hereby certify that S.B. No. 1857 passed the Senate on April 15, 2013, by the following vote: Yeas 29, Nays 1.

Secretary of the Senate

I hereby certify that S.B. No. 1857 passed the House on May 17, 2013, by the following vote: Yeas 134, Nays 0, two present not voting.

Chief Clerk of the House

Approved:

Date

Governor