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H.B. No. 1376

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1  
2 relating to the application of certain concealed handgun license  
3 laws to community supervision and corrections department officers  
4 and juvenile probation officers; reducing a fee.

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

6 SECTION 1. Section 411.1882(a), Government Code, is amended  
7 to read as follows:

8 (a) A person who is serving in this state as a judge or  
9 justice of a federal court, as an active judicial officer[~~r~~] as  
10 defined by Section 411.201, [~~or~~] as a district attorney, assistant  
11 district attorney, criminal district attorney, assistant criminal  
12 district attorney, county attorney, or assistant county attorney,  
13 as a supervision officer as defined by Section 2, Article 42.12,  
14 Code of Criminal Procedure, or as a juvenile probation officer may  
15 establish handgun proficiency for the purposes of this subchapter  
16 by obtaining from a handgun proficiency instructor approved by the  
17 Texas Commission on Law Enforcement for purposes of Section  
18 1702.1675, Occupations Code, a sworn statement that indicates that  
19 the person, during the 12-month period preceding the date of the  
20 person's application to the department, demonstrated to the  
21 instructor proficiency in the use of handguns.

22 SECTION 2. Subchapter H, Chapter 411, Government Code, is  
23 amended by adding Section 411.1953 to read as follows:

24 Sec. 411.1953. REDUCTION OF FEES FOR COMMUNITY SUPERVISION

1 AND CORRECTIONS DEPARTMENT OFFICERS AND JUVENILE PROBATION  
2 OFFICERS. Notwithstanding any other provision of this subchapter,  
3 an applicant who is serving in this state as a supervision officer,  
4 as defined by Section 2, Article 42.12, Code of Criminal Procedure,  
5 or as a juvenile probation officer shall pay a fee of \$25 for the  
6 issuance of an original or renewed license under this subchapter.

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

13 SECTION 4. This Act takes effect September 1, 2015.