

1-1 By: Blanco, Guillen (Senate Sponsor - Rodríguez) H.B. No. 3710
1-2 (In the Senate - Received from the House May 6, 2015;
1-3 May 15, 2015, read first time and referred to Committee on State
1-4 Affairs; May 21, 2015, reported favorably by the following vote:
1-5 Yeas 9, Nays 0; May 21, 2015, sent to printer.)

1-6 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
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1-8	Huffman	X		
1-9	Ellis	X		
1-10	Birdwell	X		
1-11	Creighton	X		
1-12	Estes	X		
1-13	Fraser	X		
1-14	Nelson	X		
1-15	Schwertner	X		
1-16	Zaffirini	X		

1-17 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
1-18 AN ACT

1-19 relating to a voluntary contribution to the fund for veterans'
1-20 assistance when applying for a concealed handgun license.

1-21 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-22 SECTION 1. Section 434.017(a), Government Code, is amended
1-23 to read as follows:

1-24 (a) The fund for veterans' assistance is a special fund in
1-25 the state treasury outside the general revenue fund. The fund is
1-26 composed of:

1-27 (1) money transferred to the fund at the direction of
1-28 the legislature;

1-29 (2) gifts and grants contributed to the fund;

1-30 (3) the earnings of the fund;

1-31 (4) money transferred to the fund from proceeds of the
1-32 lottery game operated under Section 466.027 or transferred to the
1-33 fund under Section 466.408(b);

1-34 (5) money deposited to the credit of the fund under
1-35 Section 502.1746, Transportation Code; ~~and~~

1-36 (6) money deposited to the credit of the fund under
1-37 Section 521.008, Transportation Code; and

1-38 (7) money deposited to the credit of the fund under
1-39 Section 411.1741.

1-40 SECTION 2. Subchapter H, Chapter 411, Government Code, is
1-41 amended by adding Section 411.1741 to read as follows:

1-42 Sec. 411.1741. VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTION TO FUND FOR VETERANS'
1-43 ASSISTANCE. (a) When a person applies for an original or renewal
1-44 license to carry a concealed handgun under this subchapter, the
1-45 person may make a voluntary contribution in any amount to the fund
1-46 for veterans' assistance established by Section 434.017.

1-47 (b) The department shall:

1-48 (1) include space on the first page of each
1-49 application for an original or renewal license to carry a concealed
1-50 handgun that allows a person applying for an original or renewal
1-51 license to carry a concealed handgun to indicate the amount that the
1-52 person is voluntarily contributing to the fund; and

1-53 (2) provide an opportunity for the person to
1-54 contribute to the fund during the application process for an
1-55 original or renewal license to carry a concealed handgun on the
1-56 department's Internet website.

1-57 (c) The department shall send any contribution made under
1-58 this section to the comptroller for deposit in the state treasury to
1-59 the credit of the fund for veterans' assistance not later than the
1-60 14th day of each month. Before sending the money to the fund, the
1-61 department may deduct money equal to the amount of reasonable

2-1 expenses for administering this section.

2-2 SECTION 3. As soon as practicable after the effective date
2-3 of this Act, the Department of Public Safety shall modify the
2-4 application form for a license to carry a concealed handgun to
2-5 satisfy the requirement of Section 411.1741, Government Code, as
2-6 added by this Act.

2-7 SECTION 4. This Act takes effect September 1, 2015.

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