

Amend CSHB 4180 (senate committee printing) by adding the following appropriately numbered SECTIONS to the bill and renumbering the SECTIONS of the bill accordingly:

SECTION _____. Section 46.15, Penal Code, is amended by adding Subsection (h) to read as follows:

(h) The provisions of Sections 46.02 and 46.03 prohibiting the possession or carrying of a club do not apply to a code enforcement officer who:

(1) holds a certificate of registration issued under Chapter 1952, Occupations Code; and

(2) possesses or carries an instrument used specifically for deterring the bite of an animal while the officer is:

(A) performing official duties; or

(B) traveling to or from a place of duty.

SECTION _____. Section 1952.051, Occupations Code, as effective September 1, 2017, is amended by adding Subsection (c) to read as follows:

(c) The education requirements adopted under Subsection (b) must include education regarding the principles and procedures to be followed when possessing or carrying an instrument used specifically for deterring the bite of an animal.