By: Perry (White, Wray)

S.B. No. 264

Substitute the following for S.B. No. 264:

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

- 2 relating to an application made by a peace officer, county jailer,
- 3 or state correctional officer to obtain a license to carry a
- 4 handgun.
- 5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 6 SECTION 1. Section 411.1991, Government Code, is amended by
- 7 adding Subsection (b-1) to read as follows:
- 8 (b-1) An applicant under this section who is a peace officer
- 9 and who complies with Subsection (a-1) and the other requirements
- 10 of this subchapter is not required to complete the handgun
- 11 proficiency course described by Section 411.188 to obtain a license
- 12 under this subchapter.
- SECTION 2. Subchapter H, Chapter 411, Government Code, is
- 14 amended by adding Sections 411.1993 and 411.1994 to read as
- 15 follows:
- Sec. 411.1993. COUNTY JAILERS. (a) In this section,
- 17 "county jailer" has the meaning assigned by Section 1701.001,
- 18 Occupations Code.
- 19 (b) A county jailer who holds a county jailer license issued
- 20 under Chapter 1701, Occupations Code, may apply for a license under
- 21 this subchapter.
- (c) An applicant under this section who is a county jailer
- 23 shall submit to the department:
- 24 (1) the name and job title of the applicant;

(2) a current copy of the applicant's county jailer 1 2 license and evidence of employment as a county jailer; and (3) evidence that the applicant has satisfactorily 3 completed the preparatory training program required under Section 4 1701.310, Occupations Code, including the demonstration of weapons 5 proficiency required as part of the training program under Section 6 7 1701.307 of that code. 8 (d) The department may issue a license under this subchapter to an applicant under this section if the applicant complies with 9 Subsection (c) and meets all other requirements of this subchapter, 10 except that the applicant is not required to complete the range 11 12 instruction part of the handgun proficiency course described by Section 411.188 if the department is satisfied, on the basis of the 13 14 evidence provided under Subsection (c)(3), that the applicant is proficient in the use of handguns. 15 16 (e) The department shall waive any fee required for a 17 license issued under this subchapter to an applicant under this section. 18 19 (f) A license issued to an applicant under this section expires as provided by Section 411.183. 20 21 Sec. 411.1994. STATE CORRECTIONAL OFFICERS. (a) correctional officer of the Texas Department of Criminal Justice 22 23 may apply for a license under this subchapter. 24 (b) An applicant under this section shall submit to the department: 25 26 (1) the name and job title of the applicant;

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(2) evidence of employment as a correctional officer

- 1 of the Texas Department of Criminal Justice; and
- 2 (3) evidence that the applicant has satisfactorily
- 3 <u>completed the correctional officer training program offered by the</u>
- 4 Texas Department of Criminal Justice, including a demonstration of
- 5 weapons proficiency.
- 6 (c) The department may issue a license under this subchapter
- 7 to an applicant under this section if the applicant complies with
- 8 Subsection (b) and meets all other requirements of this subchapter,
- 9 except that the applicant is not required to complete the range
- 10 instruction part of the handgun proficiency course described by
- 11 Section 411.188 if the department is satisfied, on the basis of the
- 12 evidence provided under Subsection (b)(3), that the applicant is
- 13 proficient in the use of handguns.
- 14 (d) The department shall waive any fee required for a
- 15 license issued under this subchapter to an applicant under this
- 16 section.
- 17 (e) A license issued to an applicant under this section
- 18 <u>expires as provided by Section 411.183.</u>
- 19 SECTION 3. Section 411.1952, Government Code, is repealed.
- SECTION 4. The change in law made by this Act applies only
- 21 to a license issued on or after the effective date of this Act.
- 22 SECTION 5. This Act takes effect September 1, 2017.