H.B. No. 2164

AN ACT

relating to imposing a civil penalty for prohibiting or otherwise restricting a peace officer or special investigator from carrying a weapon on certain premises open to the public.

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

SECTION 1.  Article 2.1305, Code of Criminal Procedure, is amended by adding Subsection (c) to read as follows:

(c)  An establishment serving the public that violates this article is subject to a civil penalty in the amount of $1,000 for each violation. The attorney general may sue to collect a civil penalty under this subsection. Money collected under this subsection shall be deposited in the state treasury to the credit of the general revenue fund.

SECTION 2.  This Act takes effect September 1, 2019.

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    President of the Senate Speaker of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 2164 was passed by the House on April 25, 2019, by the following vote:  Yeas 131, Nays 3, 1 present, not voting; and that the House concurred in Senate amendments to H.B. No. 2164 on May 22, 2019, by the following vote:  Yeas 139, Nays 4, 2 present, not voting.

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Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 2164 was passed by the Senate, with amendments, on May 16, 2019, by the following vote:  Yeas 29, Nays 2.

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Secretary of the Senate

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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