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H.B. No. 516

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the liability of a person who allows handguns to be carried on property owned, leased, or managed by the person.

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

SECTION 1. Title 4, Civil Practice and Remedies Code, is amended by adding Chapter 95A to read as follows:

CHAPTER 95A. LIMITED LIABILITY FOR CERTAIN PERSONS WHO ALLOW
HANDGUNS

Sec. 95A.001. DEFINITION. In this chapter, "license holder" means a person licensed to carry a handgun under Subchapter H, Chapter 411, Government Code, or a person with a license to carry a handgun issued by another state and recognized in this state.

Sec. 95A.002. LIMITED LIABILITY FOR CERTAIN PERSONS WHO ALLOW HANDGUNS. There is no cause of action against an owner, lessee, or manager of property based on the owner's, lessee's, or manager's decision not to exercise the option to forbid the carrying of handguns by a license holder on the property by providing notice under Sections 30.06 and 30.07, Penal Code.

SECTION 2. Chapter 95A, Civil Practice and Remedies Code, as added by this Act, does not apply to a cause of action that accrued before the effective date of this Act. A cause of action that accrued before the effective date of this Act is governed by the law applicable to the cause of action immediately before that date, and the former law is continued in effect for that purpose.

1 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2019.