

1 AN ACT

2 relating to evidence in certain civil actions of a person's failure  
3 to forbid handguns on certain property.

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

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

7 CHAPTER 95A. ACTIONS INVOLVING THE CARRYING OF HANDGUNS ON CERTAIN  
8 PROPERTY

9 Sec. 95A.0001. EVIDENCE OF FAILURE TO FORBID HANDGUNS. The  
10 fact that a card, sign, or other document described by Section  
11 30.06(c)(3) or 30.07(c)(3), Penal Code, is not posted on the  
12 property of a business or any other evidence that a person failed to  
13 exercise the person's option to forbid the carrying of a handgun by  
14 a license holder on the property:

15 (1) is not admissible as evidence in a trial on the  
16 merits in an action:

17 (A) against a person, including a business or  
18 other entity, who owns, controls, or manages the property; and

19 (B) in which the cause of action arises from an  
20 injury sustained on the property; and

21 (2) does not support a cause of action described by  
22 Subdivision (1) against a person described by that subdivision.

23 SECTION 2. Chapter 95A, Civil Practice and Remedies Code,  
24 as added by this Act, does not apply to a cause of action that

1 accrued before the effective date of this Act.

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

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President of the Senate

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Speaker of the House

I hereby certify that S.B. No. 772 passed the Senate on April 23, 2019, by the following vote: Yeas 26, Nays 5.

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Secretary of the Senate

I hereby certify that S.B. No. 772 passed the House on May 21, 2019, by the following vote: Yeas 88, Nays 51, two present not voting.

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Chief Clerk of the House

Approved:

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Date

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Governor