By:  Hall, Creighton S.B. No. 1253

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the issuance and renewal of licenses to carry a handgun for purposes of reciprocity with other states.

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

SECTION 1.  Section 411.177, Government Code, is amended by adding Subsection (e) to read as follows:

(e) For the purpose of reciprocity with other states, the department shall issue a license under this subchapter to each applicant who meets all the eligibility requirements and submits all the application materials, regardless of whether the applicant may legally carry a handgun without a license in this state under Chapter 46, Penal Code, or other state law.

SECTION 2.  Section 411.185, Government Code, is amended by adding Subsection (h) to read as follows:

(h)  For the purpose of reciprocity with other states, the department shall renew the license of each license holder who meets all the eligibility requirements to continue to hold a license and who submits all the renewal materials described by Subsection (a), regardless of whether the license holder may legally carry a handgun without a license in this state under Chapter 46, Penal Code, or other state law.

SECTION 3.  This Act takes effect September 1, 2021.