

AN ACT

relating to municipal and county firearm buyback programs.

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

SECTION 1. Chapter 280, Local Government Code, is amended by adding Section 280.005 to read as follows:

Sec. 280.005. FIREARM BUYBACK PROGRAMS PROHIBITED. A municipality or county may not adopt or enforce an ordinance, order, or other measure in which the municipality or county organizes, sponsors, or participates in a program that purchases or offers to purchase firearms with the intent to:

(1) remove firearms from circulation;

(2) reduce the number of firearms owned by civilians;

or

(3) allow individuals to sell firearms without fear of criminal prosecution.

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this Act takes effect September 1, 2025.

H.B. No. 3053

President of the Senate

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 3053 was passed by the House on May 13, 2025, by the following vote: Yeas 85, Nays 56, 2 present, not voting.

Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 3053 was passed by the Senate on May 28, 2025, by the following vote: Yeas 20, Nays 11.

Secretary of the Senate

APPROVED: _____

Date

Governor