

AN ACT

relating to certain procedures for submitting legible and classifiable fingerprints with an application for a license to carry a concealed handgun.

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

SECTION 1. Subchapter H, Chapter 411, Government Code, is amended by adding Section 411.175 to read as follows:

Sec. 411.175. PROCEDURES FOR SUBMITTING FINGERPRINTS. The department shall establish procedures for the submission of legible and classifiable fingerprints by an applicant for a license under this subchapter who:

(1) is required to submit those fingerprints to the department, including an applicant under Section 411.199, 411.1991, or 411.201; and

(2) resides in a county having a population of 46,000 or less and does not reside within a 25-mile radius of a facility with the capability to process digital or electronic fingerprints.

SECTION 2. The change in law made by this Act applies only to an application for a license to carry a concealed handgun that is submitted to the Department of Public Safety on or after the effective date of this Act.

SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2013.

President of the Senate

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 698 was passed by the House on May 6, 2013, by the following vote: Yeas 139, Nays 5, 1 present, not voting.

Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 698 was passed by the Senate on May 20, 2013, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

Secretary of the Senate

APPROVED: _____
Date

Governor