

AN ACT

relating to the applicability of the offense of unlawfully carrying a weapon to certain persons carrying a weapon in a recreational vehicle.

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

SECTION 1. Section 46.15, Penal Code, is amended by adding Subsection (g) to read as follows:

(g) For the purpose of Subsection (b)(2), "premises" includes a recreational vehicle that is being used by the person carrying the handgun, illegal knife, or club as living quarters, regardless of whether that use is temporary or permanent. In this subsection, "recreational vehicle" means a motor vehicle primarily designed as temporary living quarters or a vehicle that contains temporary living quarters and is designed to be towed by a motor vehicle. The term includes a travel trailer, camping trailer, truck camper, motor home, and horse trailer with living quarters.

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2003, and applies only to an offense committed on or after that date. An offense committed before the effective date of this Act is covered by the law in effect when the offense was committed, and the former law is continued in effect for that purpose. For purposes of this section, an offense was committed before the effective date of this Act if any element of the offense occurred before that date.

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President of the Senate

Jim Cusick

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 284 was passed by the House on April 10, 2003, by a non-record vote.

Robert Haney

Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 284 was passed by the Senate on May 24, 2003, by a viva-voce vote.

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Secretary of the Senate

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Governor

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