By: Lopez-Resendez H.B. No. 960

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the carrying of certain weapons on the premises of a public library; creating a criminal offense.

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

SECTION 1. Section 46.03, Penal Code, is amended by adding Subsection (a-1) to read as follows:

(a-1) Notwithstanding Section 46.02(a-5), a person commits an offense if the person carries on the premises of a public library a partially or wholly visible:

(1) location-restricted knife, club, or prohibited weapon listed in Section 46.05(a); or

(2) handgun, regardless of whether the handgun is holstered and regardless of whether the handgun is carried under the authority of Subchapter H, Chapter 411, Government Code.

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2025.