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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to evidence in certain civil actions that entry on a property by a license holder with a concealed handgun was forbidden.

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

SECTION 1. Chapter 95A, Civil Practice and Remedies Code, is amended by adding Section 95A.0002 to read as follows:

Sec. 95A.0002. EVIDENCE OF NOTICE TO FORBID CONCEALED HANDGUNS. The fact that a card, sign, or other document described by Section 30.06(c)(3), Penal Code, is posted on the property of a business or any other evidence that a business owner exercised the business owner's option to forbid the carrying of a concealed handgun by a license holder on the property:

(1) is admissible as evidence in a trial on the merits in an action:

(A) against the business owner; and

(B) in which the cause of action arises from serious bodily injury or death arising from a criminal act occurring on the property; and

(2) supports a cause of action described by Subdivision (1) against a business owner described by that subdivision.

SECTION 2. Section 95A.0002, Civil Practice and Remedies Code, as added by this Act, applies only to an action filed on or

after the effective date of this Act.

SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2027.