

BILL ANALYSIS

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H.B. 492
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DIGEST AND PURPOSE

Currently, persons participating in historical reenactments of the Old West are not allowed to possess weapons of the time period on the premises of an alcoholic beverage license or permit holder under the Texas Alcoholic Beverage Code. H.B. 492 allows the possession of firearms on the premises of an alcoholic beverage license or permit holder under the Texas Alcoholic Beverage Code for the purposes of historical reenactments.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

Rulemaking authority is expressly granted to the Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission in SECTIONS 1 and 2 (Sections 11.61 and 61.71 Alcoholic Beverage Code) and SECTION 5 of this bill.

SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS

H.B. 492 amends the Alcoholic Beverage Code to require the Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission (TABC) to adopt rules not later than January 1, 2002, to allow a historical reenactment on the premises of a permit holder. The bill amends the Penal Code to provide exceptions to the unlawful carrying of a handgun by a license holder who is a participant in a historical reenactment performed in accordance with the rules of the Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission.

Effective date: September 1, 2001.

Makes application of this Act prospective.