CHAPTER 714

H.B. No. 412

AN ACT

relating to the offenses of possession of a deadly weapon in a penal institution and concealing a deadly weapon in a penal institution.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

SECTION 1. Section 46.11(a), Penal Code, is amended to read as follows:

- (a) A person commits an offense if, while confined in a penal institution, he intentionally, knowingly, or recklessly:
 - (1) carries on or about his person a deadly weapon; or
 - (2) possesses or conceals a deadly weapon in the penal institution.

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 1987.

SECTION 3. The importance of this legislation and the crowded condition of the calendars in both houses create an emergency and an imperative public necessity that the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days in each house be suspended, and this rule is hereby suspended.

Passed by the House on March 18, 1987, by a non-record vote. Passed by the Senate on May 21, 1987, by the following vote: Yeas 30, Nays 0.

Approved June 18, 1987.

Effective Sept. 1, 1987.

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