

GENERAL LAWS
OF
THE STATE OF TEXAS

PASSED AT THE
REGULAR SESSION
OF THE
TWENTY-FIFTH LEGISLATURE

CONVENED AT THE
CITY OF AUSTIN, JANUARY 12, 1897,
AND
ADJOURNED MAY 21, 1897.



AUSTIN:
BEN C. JONES & CO., STATE PRINTERS
1897

yeas 86, nays 1; and passed the Senate by a two-thirds vote, yeas 21, nays 6.]

[NOTE.—The foregoing act was presented to the Governor of Texas for his approval, on Friday, the twenty-first day of May, A. D. 1897, but was not signed by him nor returned to the house in which it originated with his objections thereto within the time prescribed by the Constitution, and thereupon became a law without his signature.—Jno. H. CULLOM, Acting Secretary of State.]

H. B. No. 263.]

CHAPTER 154.

An Act to prohibit persons, firms or corporations engaged in running pool or billiard tables in a public place, or for profit, knowingly permitting minors in their places of business without the written consent of their parents or guardians, and to provide a penalty therefor.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:* That any person, firm, or corporation engaged in running any pool or billiard table or tables, in a public place, or for profit, or agent of such person, firm, or corporation, who shall knowingly permit any minor, without the written consent of such minor's parent or guardian, in such place of business, shall be fined not exceeding two hundred dollars.

[NOTE.—The foregoing act was presented to the Governor of Texas for his approval, on Friday, the fourteenth day of May, A. D. 1897, but was not signed by him nor returned to the house in which it originated with his objections thereto within the time prescribed by the Constitution, and thereupon became a law without his signature.—J. W. MADDEN, Secretary of State.]

Takes effect 90 days after adjournment.

H. B. No. 264.]

CHAPTER 155.

An Act to prevent the barter, sale and gift of any pistol, dirk, dagger, slung shot, sword-cane, spear, or knuckles made of any metal or hard substance to any minor without the written consent of the parent or guardian of such minor, or of some one standing in lieu thereof, and providing a penalty for the violation.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:* That if any person in this State shall knowingly sell, give or barter, or cause to be sold, given or bartered to any minor, any pistol, dirk, dagger, slung shot, sword-cane, spear, or knuckles made of any metal or hard substance, bowie knife or any other knife manufactured or sold for the purpose of offense or defense, without the written consent of the parent or guardian of such minor, or of some one standing in lieu thereof, he shall be punished by fine of not less than twenty-five dollars nor more than two hundred dollars, or by imprisonment in the county jail not less than ten nor more than thirty days, or by both such fine and imprisonment. And during the time of such imprisonment such offender may be put to