

PROCLAMATION

BY THE

Governor of the State of Texas

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME:

Pursuant to Article IV, Section 14, of the Texas Constitution, I, Rick Perry, Governor of Texas, do hereby disapprove of and veto House Bill No. 397 as passed by the Eighty-Second Texas Legislature, Regular Session, because of the following objections:

House Bill 397 would create a new Bureau for Economic Development of the Border Region. The administration of this bureau would rotate every two years among a private university and five public universities. This legislation does not provide any additional funding to the institutions of higher education to administer this bureau, and would therefore put a fiscal burden on the universities, potentially redirecting their funds away from their primary purpose of education.

In addition, several state organizations, both public and private, currently perform similar economic development functions, and there are tools in place to encourage job creation throughout the state, including the border region. This bureau is an unfunded mandate on institutions of higher education and duplicates the work several other organizations already perform.

Since the Eighty-Second Texas Legislature, Regular Session, by its adjournment has prevented the return of this bill, I am filing these objections in the office of the Secretary of State and giving notice thereof by this public proclamation according to the aforementioned constitutional provision.



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have signed my name officially and caused the Seal of the State to be affixed hereto at Austin, this 17th day of June, 2011.

Rick Perry
RICK PERRY
Governor of Texas

ATTESTED BY:

Esperanza Andrade
ESPERANZA "HOPE" ANDRADE
Secretary of State

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SECRETARY OF STATE
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