

PROCLAMATION
BY THE
Governor of the State of Texas

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME:

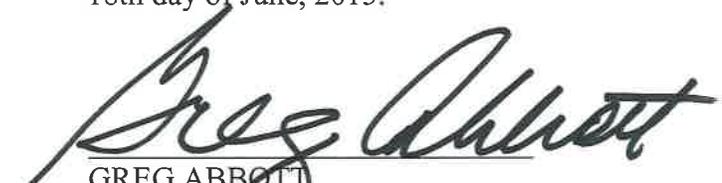
Pursuant to Article IV, Section 14, of the Texas Constitution, I, Greg Abbott, Governor of Texas, do hereby disapprove of and veto House Bill No. 973 as passed by the Eighty-Fourth Texas Legislature, Regular Session, because of the following objections:

Emergency services districts provide necessary fire and EMS services to unincorporated areas of the state. The commissioners who run these districts on a part-time basis receive modest compensation that is set by statute and is uniform throughout the state. House Bill 973 would more than double the compensation for commissioners in Harris County while leaving all other commissioners throughout the state under the existing compensation limits. This would be an unnecessary expenditure of taxpayer money and an inappropriate departure from the uniform statewide compensation limits currently in effect.

Since the Eighty-Fourth 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 18th day of June, 2015.


GREG ABBOTT
Governor of Texas

ATTESTED BY:



CARLOS CASCOS
Secretary of State

FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE
SECRETARY OF STATE
O'CLOCK

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