

# PROCLAMATION

BY THE

## Governor of the State of Texas

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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. 2448 as passed by the Eighty-Seventh Texas Legislature, Regular Session, because of the following objections:

During the 85th Legislature, I signed Senate Bill 4 into law to help secure the border. I have fought—and continue to fight—to protect all Texans from dangerous cartels, smugglers, and human traffickers. Because the federal government has failed to act during the ongoing border crisis, Texas has deployed numerous resources to combat the dangers faced in border communities. House Bill 2448 would go in the wrong direction, reversing a good change made by Senate Bill 4 and facilitating the release of potentially dangerous criminals from jail. That is an objective I cannot support.

Since the Eighty-Seventh 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, 2021.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Greg Abbott", written over a horizontal line.

GREG ABBOTT  
Governor of Texas

ATTESTED BY:

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Jose A. Esparza", written over a horizontal line.

JOSE A. ESPARZA  
Deputy Secretary of State

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

JUN 18 2021

A handwritten signature in black ink, written over a horizontal line.

Secretary of State