## **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 Senate Bill No. 667 as passed by the Eighty-Fifth Texas Legislature, Regular Session, because of the following objections:

This session the Legislature passed, and I have signed, several bills that improve the guardianship system in Texas. This is an important endeavor, and I look forward to seeing the effect of these needed reforms during the interim. Senate Bill 667 would have created a large new staff of state employees to oversee local guardianship arrangements at a cost of over \$5 million a biennium. We should give the new statutory reforms a chance to work, and we should continue to look for cost-effective ways to address this challenge. The creation of a new state bureaucracy should be a last resort.

Since the Eighty-Fifth 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 15th day of June, 2017.

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GREG ABBOTT
Governor of Texas

ATTESTED BY:

ROLANDO B. PABLOS Secretary of State