

S.B. No. 790

AN ACT

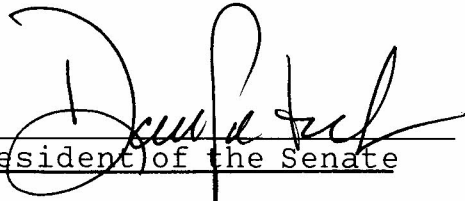
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2 relating to the continuation of the women's health advisory
3 committee.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

5 SECTION 1. Section 531.02221(e), Government Code, is
6 amended to read as follows:

7 (e) The women's health advisory committee is abolished and
8 this section expires September 1, 2019 [~~2017~~].

9 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
10 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
11 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
12 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
13 Act takes effect September 1, 2017.

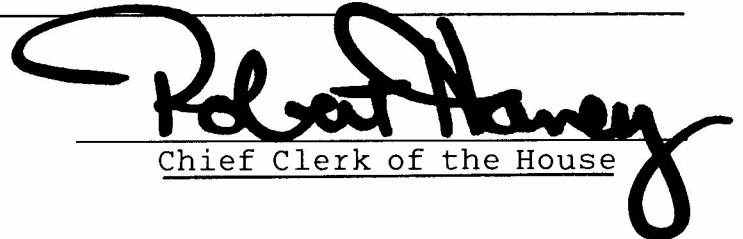

President of the Senate


Speaker of the House

I hereby certify that S.B. No. 790 passed the Senate on April 3, 2017, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.


Secretary of the Senate

I hereby certify that S.B. No. 790 passed the House on May 20, 2017, by the following vote: Yeas 83, Nays 52, one present not voting.



Chief Clerk of the House

Approved:

Date

Governor

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

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Secretary of State

PROCLAMATION
BY THE
Governor of the State of Texas
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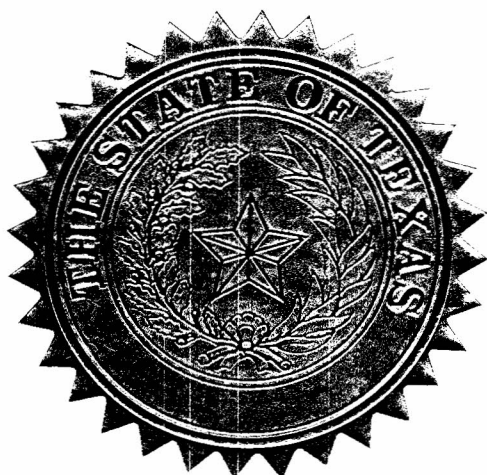
TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME:

Pursuant to Article IV, Section 14, of the Texas Constitution, I, Greg Abbott, Governor of Texas, do hereby disapprove of and veto Senate Bill No. 790 as passed by the Eighty-Fifth Texas Legislature, Regular Session, because of the following objections:


The Women's Health Advisory Committee was created last session "to provide recommendations to [the Health and Human Services Commission] on the consolidation of women's health programs." By law, the Committee is set to expire in September 2017. The Committee fulfilled its statutory charge after the women's health programs at HHSC were successfully consolidated under the Healthy Texas Women's Program, which launched in July of 2016. The Committee's purpose has been served, and it should be allowed to expire as was promised when it was created last session. In addition, the HHSC executive commissioner is already authorized by the Government Code to maintain advisory committees "across all major areas of the health and human services system," so there is no need to continue a particular legislative mandate for a committee that, by law, has achieved its legislative mandate.

Senate Bill 790 does nothing more than extend the expiration date of a governmental committee that has already successfully completed its mission. Rather than prolong government committees beyond their expiration date, the State should focus on programs that address more clearly identifiable needs, like my call for action to address the maternal mortality rate during the special session.

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.


GREG ABBOTT
Governor of Texas

ATTESTED BY:



ROLANDO B. PABLOS
Secretary of State

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**LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD
Austin, Texas**

FISCAL NOTE, 85TH LEGISLATIVE REGULAR SESSION

May 11, 2017

TO: Honorable Four Price, Chair, House Committee on Public Health

FROM: Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: SB790 by Miles (Relating to the continuation of the women's health advisory committee.),
As Engrossed

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

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No fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

Source Agencies: 529 Health and Human Services Commission

LBB Staff: UP, KCA, EP, SSc, PM

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Austin, Texas**

FISCAL NOTE, 85TH LEGISLATIVE REGULAR SESSION

March 4, 2017

TO: Honorable Charles Schwertner, Chair, Senate Committee on Health & Human Services

FROM: Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

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As Introduced

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