

**PROCLAMATION**  
BY THE  
**Governor of the State of Texas**

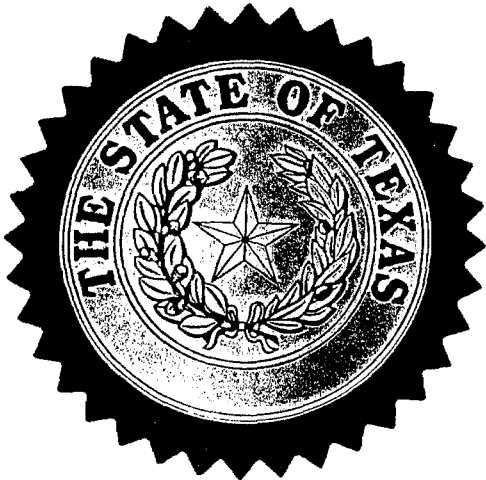
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TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME:

Pursuant to Article IV, Section 14, of the Texas Constitution, I, Rick Perry, Governor of Texas, do hereby disapprove of and veto House Bill No. 2295 as passed by the Seventy-Eighth Texas Legislature, Regular Session, because of the following objections:

A late amendment to House Bill No. 2295 is problematic and lacks the criteria needed to guide municipalities in establishing and administering a program similar to the state's Historically Underutilized Business (HUB) Program. Without criteria needed to certify and verify minority-owned and women-owned businesses, this bill would inject ambiguity into the bid selection process and could undermine the success of the state HUB program.

Since the Legislature 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 20th day of June, 2003.

*Rick Perry*

RICK PERRY  
Governor of Texas

ATTESTED BY:

*Gwyn Shea*

GWYN SHEA  
Secretary of State

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SECRETARY OF STATE  
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