

PROCLAMATION
BY THE
Governor of the State of Texas
41-2952

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 Senate Bill No. 970 as passed by the Seventy-Eighth Texas Legislature, Regular Session, because of the following objections:

Senate Bill No. 970 would establish new fees and regulations for those who produce and harvest various cactus plants. As a result, the practice of xeriscaping would face artificial barriers in the marketplace at a time when government should be encouraging efforts to conserve water. Increasing administrative costs on the nursery industry is not an appropriate way to enforce current statutes.

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:

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Secretary of State

FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE
SECRETARY OF STATE
7:30 PM O'CLOCK

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