

PROCLAMATION
BY THE
Governor of the State of Texas
41-2957

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. 1705 as passed by the Seventy-Eighth Texas Legislature, Regular Session, because of the following objections:

Current law allows metropolitan transit authorities (MTA) to tax telecommunications services if approved by each city that created the authority. Senate Bill No. 1705 would make it easier for VIA MTA in San Antonio to tax telecommunications services by taking the decision away from smaller cities and allowing the City of San Antonio and Bexar County to make the decision. This bill is unnecessary because voters will have an opportunity to approve a sales tax for an advanced transportation district, as proposed in Senate Bill No. 404, which I already have signed into law.

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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