PROCLAMATION

BY THE

Governor of the State of Texas

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME:

WHEREAS, education is the foundation for the economic and cultural future of the state of Texas; and

WHEREAS, the constitutional responsibility for the development of an efficient system of public education rests with the legislature; and

WHEREAS, Texas must maintain a system of school finance that ensures student performance and accountability are the primary goals; and

WHEREAS, educational excellence requires that the state provide resources to reward higher levels of student performance; and

WHEREAS, the state's system of accountability must include new measures of financial accountability and transparency in budgeting; and

WHEREAS, the current state of public school finance requires immediate action by the legislature to ensure the continued efficient and effective operation of Texas schools; and

WHEREAS, the people have placed the constitutional power to call and convene the legislature into special session in the hands of the Chief Executive Officer of the State;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, RICK PERRY, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF TEXAS, by the authority vested in me by Article IV, Section 8, of the Texas Constitution, do hereby call an extraordinary session of the 79th Legislature, to be convened in the city of Austin, commencing at noon on Tuesday the 21st day of June 2005, for the following purposes:

To consider legislation that addresses educator compensation, benefits and certification.

To consider legislation that provides for public school financial accountability and that increases transparency in school district financial reporting.

To consider legislation that provides for performance-based incentives to educators and schools that attain higher levels of student achievement.

To consider legislation that funds textbooks and that creates the instructional materials allotment for public schools.

To consider legislation that provides for charter school funding and reform.

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To consider legislation that provides for modifications to the recapture provisions of the public school finance system.

To consider legislation that provides for November elections for public school boards of trustees.

To consider legislation providing funding for the public school finance system and the continuation of the Texas Education Agency.

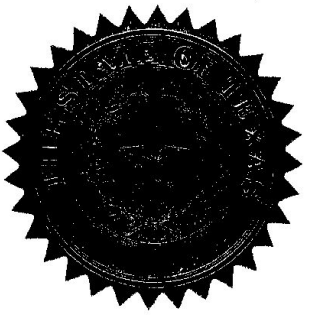
To consider legislation providing for end-of-course examinations to be used in public schools.

To consider legislation that provides for increased accountability and intervention for schools failing to meet state standards.

To consider legislation that provides for local property tax rate compression and voter approval of local property tax rates.

To consider legislation that establishes indicators of college readiness and higher levels of student achievement in the public school accountability system.

The Secretary of State will take notice of this action and will notify the members of the Legislature of my action.



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereto signed my name and have officially caused the Seal of State to be affixed at my Office in the City of Austin, Texas, this the 18th day of June 2005.

Rick Perry

RICK PERRY
Governor of Texas

ATTESTED BY:

Roger Williams

ROGER WILLIAMS
Secretary of State

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OFFICIAL MEMORANDUM
STATE OF TEXAS
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

MESSAGE

TO THE SENATE AND HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE SEVENTY-NINTH TEXAS LEGISLATURE, FIRST CALLED SESSION:

WHEREAS, the people of Texas through their state constitution have placed the power to call the legislature into special session in the hands of the chief executive officer of the state; and

WHEREAS, the members of the Seventy-Ninth Texas Legislature, First Called Session, have now convened to consider items presented to them by the governor;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, RICK PERRY, Governor of the State of Texas, by the authority vested in me by Article IV, Section 8 and Article III, Section 40 of the Texas Constitution, do hereby present the following subject matter to the Seventy-Ninth Texas Legislature, First Called Session for consideration:

Legislation relating to limiting the use of eminent domain to take private property for private parties or economic development purposes.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have signed my name officially and caused the Seal of the State to be affixed hereto at Austin, this 8th day of July, 2005.

Rick Perry
RICK PERRY
Governor of Texas

ATTESTED BY:

Roger Williams
ROGER WILLIAMS
Secretary of State

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NOW, THEREFORE, I, RICK PERRY, Governor of the State of Texas, by the authority vested in me by Article IV, Section 8 and Article III, Section 40 of the Texas Constitution, do hereby present the following subject matter to the Seventy-Ninth Texas Legislature, First Called Session for consideration:

Legislation relating to an increase in the compensation of judges, including salary and retirement benefits.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have signed my name officially and caused the Seal of the State to be affixed hereto at Austin, this 11th day of July, 2005.

Rick Perry

RICK PERRY
Governor of Texas

ATTESTED BY:

Roger Williams

ROGER WILLIAMS
Secretary of State

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Legislation to limit the ad valorem tax rates of certain taxing units.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have signed my name officially and caused the Seal of the State to be affixed hereto at Austin, this 21st day of June, 2005.

Rick Perry

RICK PERRY
Governor of Texas

ATTESTED BY:

Roger Williams

ROGER WILLIAMS
Secretary of State

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NOW, THEREFORE, I, RICK PERRY, Governor of the State of Texas, by the authority vested in me by Article IV, Section 8 and Article III, Section 40 of the Texas Constitution, do hereby present the following subject matter to the Seventy-Ninth Texas Legislature, First Called Session for consideration:

Legislation to provide ad valorem tax relief and protect taxpayers.

Legislation and a constitutional amendment to increase the homestead ad valorem tax exemption.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have signed my name officially and caused the Seal of the State to be affixed hereto at Austin, this _____ day of June, 2005.

Rick Perry

RICK PERRY
Governor of Texas

ATTESTED BY:

Roger Williams

ROGER WILLIAMS
Secretary of State

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Legislation relating to the authorization, issuance, and funding of tuition revenue bonds.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have signed my name officially and caused the Seal of the State to be affixed hereto at Austin, this 11th day of July, 2005.

Rick Perry

RICK PERRY
Governor of Texas

ATTESTED BY:

Roger Williams

ROGER WILLIAMS
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NOW, THEREFORE, I, RICK PERRY, Governor of the State of Texas, by the authority vested in me by Article IV, Section 8 and Article III, Section 40 of the Texas Constitution, do hereby present the following subject matter to the Seventy-Ninth Texas Legislature, First Called Session for consideration:

Legislation related to further competition in the telecommunications market.

Legislation related to the provision of broadband over powerlines.

Legislation related to the issuance of state-issued certificate of franchise authority for cable and video services.

Legislation related to the State of Texas' goal for renewable energy.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have signed my name officially and caused the Seal of the State to be affixed hereto at Austin, this 12th day of July, 2005.

Rick Perry

RICK PERRY
Governor of Texas

ATTESTED BY:

Roger Williams

ROGER WILLIAMS
Secretary of State