

# PROCLAMATION

BY THE

## Governor of the State of Texas

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME:

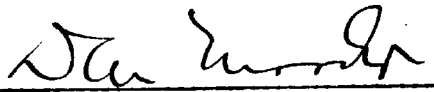
WHEREAS, The Forty-first Legislature at its First Called Session passed House Bill No. 80, being "AN ACT to ratify and adopt in principle the Canadian River Compact between the States of New Mexico, Texas, Oklahoma and Arkansas, executed on the 31st day of December, 1926, by the Commissioners of said States, which ratification and adoption is made subject to certain conditions; and declaring an emergency"; and,

WHEREAS, said bill has been vetoed for the reasons set out in the following statement, which has been filed with said bill in the office of the Secretary of State:

The attached Bill being House Bill No. 80, "AN ACT to ratify and adopt in principle the Canadian River Compact between the States of New Mexico, Texas, Oklahoma and Arkansas, executed on the 31st day of December, 1926, by the Commissioners of said States, which ratification and adoption is made subject to certain conditions; and declaring an emergency", is hereby vetoed.

This Bill attempts to ratify a compact between the states of New Mexico, Texas, Oklahoma and Arkansas. As I understand this compact it contemplates that the State of Texas shall be bound to pay that proportion of the cost of certain improvements, which I understand are to be constructed in New Mexico, which the benefits received by Texas bear to the whole benefits received through the construction of the improvements. I am in doubt about the validity of such proposal. From a conference with the Board of Water Engineers, I am advised that no scientific surveys have been made of the area covered by this compact and that the rights of Texas or their value are not definitely known. I am further informed from the same source that the feasibility of the project that might be contemplated by the compact has likewise never been demonstrated by any character of survey by hydraulic or other engineers. I doubt the wisdom of binding the State of Texas by the adoption of any such compact until it is first known what interest the State has in the matter and what rights it has which it desires to protect or could afford to surrender.

For the reasons stated this Bill is hereby vetoed.

  
Governor of Texas

NOW, THEREFORE, KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, THAT I,  
DAN MOODY, Governor of the State of Texas, under and by virtue of the  
authority vested in me by the Constitution and Laws of this State, have  
vetoed said Bill for the reasons stated and on file, and do hereby proclaim  
said action to have been taken.



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto  
signed my name officially and caused  
the seal of State to be impressed  
hereon at Austin, Texas, this the 10th  
day of June, A. D., 1929.

  
Governor of Texas

  
Secretary of State