

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. 97, being "AN ACT to amend Articles 6221 of Title 109 of the Revised Civil Statutes of 1925, and amended by Chapter 153 of the General Laws of the Regular Session of the 41st Legislature, repealing Article 6222a of said Chapter and all other laws in conflict herewith; 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:

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.

Dan Moody
Governor of Texas

BY THE GOVERNOR:

James G. McCallum
Secretary of State

EXECUTIVE OFFICE
JUNE 10, 1929

The attached Bill, being House Bill No. 97, "AN ACT to amend Articles 6221 of Title 109 of the Revised Civil Statutes of 1925, and amended by Chapter 153 of the General Laws of the Regular Session of the 41st Legislature, repealing Article 6222a of said Chapter and all other laws in conflict herewith; and declaring an emergency", is hereby vetoed.

At the Regular Session of the Legislature an attempt was made to correct certain defects in our pension laws. It appears that certain changes were made in the pension laws which worked an injustice to some people. At the First Called Session an attempt was made to correct this matter and this Bill, House Bill No. 97, was passed. It will be noted that the constitutional provision which was amended at the last general election provides that the Legislature may grant aid "to indigent and disabled Confederate soldiers and sailors, under such regulations and limitations as may be deemed by the Legislature as expedient".

The concluding sentence of Section one of this Bill provides that "it shall not be necessary for any Confederate Veteran otherwise eligible to a pension to be indigent or disabled or to show indigency or disability in his application in order to be entitled to said pension". It appears to me that this provision is invalid under the terms of the Constitution above quoted, and in this view of the law Judge Walter Acker, the only Confederate Veteran now serving in the Legislature, and one of the members who supported this Bill, concurs.

Judge Acker has introduced a Bill in the present session of the Legislature to correct the defects in the present pension law. The present session of the Legislature will undoubtedly correct these defects by passing a workable Bill, and, therefore, it is my judgment that the attached Bill should be vetoed.

For the reasons stated this Bill is hereby vetoed.

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Governor of Texas

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