


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 Senate Bill No. 11, being "AN ACT fixing the compensation of District Attorneys in each Judicial District composed of two or more counties; prescribing how the same shall be paid; 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 Senate Bill No. 11, "an Act fixing the compensation of District Attorneys in each Judicial District composed of two or more counties; prescribing how the same shall be paid; and declaring an emergency", attempts to place all District Attorneys in judicial districts composed of two or more counties upon a salary of \$4,000.00 per year. Provision is made for the payment of the annual salary of \$500.00 fixed by the Constitution and then the Bill provides for the payment of \$10.00 per day for each of the first three hundred fifty days of the calendar year. Under the present law such District Attorneys are paid \$500.00 per annum, as fixed by the Constitution, and \$20.00 per day for the first one hundred seventy-five days of the calendar year. In some districts I am informed that the District Attorney is not busy for the full one hundred seventy-five days and does not earn the maximum salary prescribed by law. The effect of this Bill would be to give to every District Attorney in districts composed of two or more counties the full salary of \$4,000.00 per year, whether or not he was busy for the full period of the number of days named in the Bill. In some of the districts of Texas this would result in a substantial increase in the amount paid the District Attorney, and unless the duties of the office merited the increase there is no reason for such increase. For the reasons stated this Bill is hereby vetoed.


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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 affixed hereon at Austin, Texas, this the 24 day of May

A. D. 1929.

Dan Moody
Governor of Texas

BY THE GOVERNOR

James H. Hall
Secretary of State