HB 2243 Keese

DIGEST: This bill prohibits the hunting of spike deer in Austin County.

REASONS FOR VETO: This bill restricts the authority of the Parks and Wildlife Commission to manage wildlife resources in Austin County.

REACTION: The Governor's office made no attempt to contact our office to discuss his problems with the bill.

HB 2269 Benedict

DIGEST: This bill makes several exceptions to the nepotism law, designed to exempt individuals in certain circimstances.

REASONS FOR VETO: The exceptions provided in the bill "subvert the intent of the nepotism laws and are not good public policy." An officer who marries after he/she takes public office should not be allowed to employ his/her spouse when other officers can't.

REACTION: Representative Benedict says that he is not upset about the veto.