

**PROCLAMATION**  
BY THE  
**Governor of the State of Texas**

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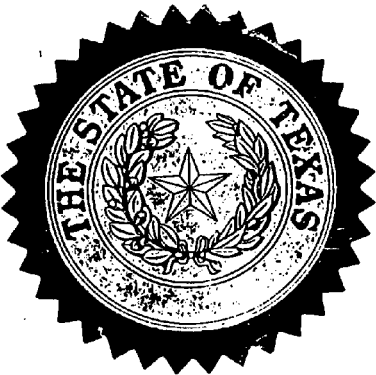
TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME:

Pursuant to Article IV, Section 14, of the Texas Constitution, I, Rick Perry, Governor of Texas, do hereby disapprove of and veto House Bill No. 1004 passed by the Seventy-Seventh Texas Legislature, Regular Session, because of the following objections:

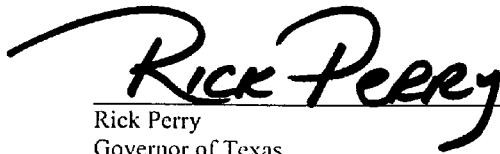
House Bill No. 1004 would require the Texas Workforce Commission to adopt new rules on the types of work activities allowable under the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) welfare-to-work program. This bill is unnecessary, as federal welfare laws and state rules provide adequate guidance on allowable TANF work activities.

Federal lawmakers will debate TANF reauthorization next year and may significantly rewrite the program to give states more flexibility. This bill would limit the state's options. Texas should reserve the right to analyze any future federal options when they become available to determine whether they support our state's goals.

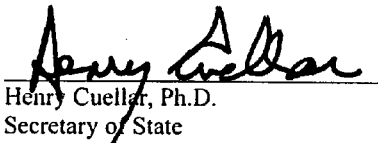
Since the Legislature by its adjournment has prevented the return of this bill, I am filing these objections in the office of the Secretary of State and giving notice thereof by this public proclamation according to the aforementioned constitutional provision.



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have signed my name officially and caused the Seal of the State to be affixed hereto at Austin, this 17th day of June, 2001.

  
Rick Perry  
Governor of Texas

ATTESTED BY:

  
Henry Cuellar, Ph.D.  
Secretary of State

June 17, 2001  
Austin, Texas

FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE  
SECRETARY OF STATE  
10:30 P.M. O'CLOCK

**JUN 17 2001**

Secretary of State