

PROCLAMATION
BY THE
Governor of the State of Texas

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME:

Pursuant to Article IV, Section 14, of the Texas Constitution, I, Greg Abbott, Governor of Texas, do hereby disapprove of and veto Senate Bill No. 390 as passed by the Eighty-Sixth Texas Legislature, Regular Session, because of the following objections:

Senate Bill 390 would create, within Houston city limits, a municipal management district that would be governed by a self-perpetuating board appointed by the city and would impose assessments on property to fund services that the city already has a responsibility to provide to area residents. This goes too far. Creating districts like these within city limits undermines core principles of protecting taxpayers and promoting transparency, which led to historic achievements this session in Senate Bill 2. It is tantamount to double taxation on the district's property owners, forcing them to pay an ad valorem tax to the city and another assessment to the district. The creation of a municipal management district, or any special purpose district, should not be used to circumvent property-tax reforms.

Since the Eighty-Sixth Texas Legislature, Regular Session, 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 15th day of June, 2019.



GREG ABBOTT
Governor of Texas

ATTESTED BY:



JOE ESPARZA
Deputy Secretary of State

FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE
SECRETARY OF STATE

O'CLOCK

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