

PROCLAMATION

BY THE

Governor of the State of Texas

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TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME:

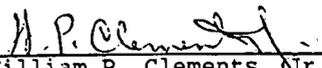
Pursuant to Article IV, Section 14 of the Texas Constitution, I, William P. Clements, Jr., Governor of Texas, do hereby veto H.B. 2037 because of the following objections:

This bill would permit anyone, regardless of age, to take the high school equivalency examination. Currently, a person must be 17 years of age to take this exam. While not intended to do so, this bill might indirectly encourage some people younger than age 17 to drop out of school because they could take the high school equivalency exam and receive the equivalent of a high school diploma without having finished high school. This is not in line with the efforts of the Texas Education Agency and local school districts to keep young people in school, and conflicts with new legislation requiring school attendance until age 17.

The Secretary of State shall take notice of this action and notify the Legislature.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto signed my name officially and caused the seal of the State to be affixed hereto at Austin, this 18th day of June, 1989.

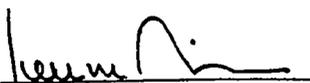



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