



# Office of the Governor

**JIM GIBBONS**  
GOVERNOR

June 15, 2007

The Honorable Ross Miller  
Secretary of State  
Capitol Building  
Carson City, NV 89701

**RE: Senate Bill 146 of the 74<sup>th</sup> Legislative Session**

Dear Secretary Miller,

I am herewith forwarding to you, for filing within the constitutional time limit and without my approval, Senate Bill 146 of the 74<sup>th</sup> Legislative Session, which is entitled:

AN ACT relating to the financial administration of counties; authorizing the boards of county commissioners of certain counties to levy an ad valorem tax to pay the costs of operating a regional facility for the detention of children; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

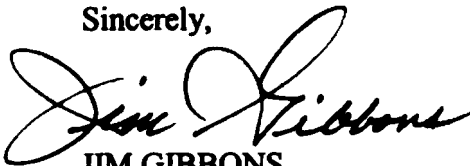
The goal sought by this bill is a good one. However, this bill will almost certainly result in increased property taxes in several counties without allowing the voters in those counties an opportunity to have their voice heard. We must strive for solutions to Nevada's problems that are not based on tax increases. I pledge my support to finding such a solution to the compelling need for a juvenile justice facility in our rural counties. However, I cannot justify doing so by way of authorizing a tax increase, particularly



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where the will of the voters has not been demonstrated. For this reason, hereby exercise my constitutional grant of authority and veto Senate Bill 146.

Sincerely,



JIM GIBBONS  
Governor

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