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The Honorable Dan Morales  
Attorney General  
State Supreme Court Building  
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Dear General Morales:

I would like to request a letter opinion regarding the constitutionality of House Bill 2853, passed in the 71st Leg., Regular Session, and House Bill 67, passed in the 71st Leg., 1st Called Session, both of which create Central Texas University in Killeen. According to Article VII, Section 17(c), Texas Constitution,

"...pursuant to a two-thirds vote of the membership of each house of the legislature, institutions of higher education may be created at a later date by general law..."

Does the fact that neither of these bills passed with the above quoted two-thirds vote mean that the creation of Central Texas University is not allowed by the Texas Constitution?

Thank you for your time and consideration of this matter. If further information is needed, or if questions exist, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours very truly,

*Gary L. Watkins*  
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cc: The Honorable Layton Black