

In Houston last weekend, while nursing my first Shiner Bock and my fifth of an eventual 27 mosquito nipples, (a new weekend record), I read a great piece in the Houston Chronicle.

Gov. Rick Perry, W's handpicked heir, has signed a \$22 million dollar bill to lure us non-heartland types to make movies in Texas. He is, however, demanding the holy grail that all auteurs lust for—the final cut. Arnold doesn't even get that.

Per the article:

the new law has a provision that allows film grants to be denied "because of inappropriate content or content that portrays Texas or Texans in a negative fashion."

Or Rick wants to censor movies.

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When making the law, specifically, they singled out GLORY ROAD. When senators added the provision, one cited the film

Glory Road about the

Texas

Western Miners from

El Paso

, a basketball team whose starting lineup was African-American.

It obviously shows racist Texans, which as we all know never existed.

I highly doubt he will have many takers. After all you can't have good guys without bad guys. Movies don't work that way.

The following is short list of movies that would be denied a portion of the \$22 million dollars. I think we all know that it won't stop at negative images of Texas and Texans. I am defining a "negative" image as something outside of the party line.



TERMS OF ENDEARMENT-- Jeff Daniels is a total dick. NASA Astronaut Jack Nicholson is a self absorbed drunk.

THE ALAMO (pick your favorite version)- Texans are overrun by undocumented workers.

THE LAST PICTURE SHOW- Small town folk are creepy folk. Teens party nekkid. The football coach is in the closet.

URBAN COWBOY- John Travolta hacksaws off his cast to avoid paying a doctor bill.



RIO BRAVO- In Dean Martin's finest performance, a drunk saves the city. John Wayne performs the assist.

DAZED AND CONFUSED- Pick your favorite scene.

REALITY BITES- Janeanne Garafolo gets an AIDS test.. Shiksa Wynona Ryder sleeps with a Jew.

ORDINARY PEOPLE: Wow.. now that's a fucked family. Everyone gets a chance in the negative limelight.

The family is so fucked up they beat out RAGING BULL for an academy award.

