

Texas Governor Greg Abbott Declared an “Invasion” at the Southern Border

Washington Examiner: *Gov. Greg Abbott declared an “invasion” at the state’s border with Mexico, the first time in modern history that a state has determined the federal government has failed to protect citizens and the state may defend itself.*

The state self-defense clause outlined in Article 1, Section 10 of the Constitution and the invasion clause in Article 4, Section 4 say that if the federal government fails to protect a state, the governor may take action for the state to protect itself ([Washington Examiner](#)).

Greg Abbott: *I invoked the Invasion Clauses of the U.S. & Texas Constitutions to fully authorize Texas to take unprecedented measures to defend our state against an invasion. I’m using that constitutional authority, & other authorization & Executive Orders to keep our state & country safe([Twitter](#)).*

PJ Media: *The tweet included a list of powers Abbott has in a time of invasion, including the deployment of the National Guard, gun boats, and the Texas Department of Public Safety to “arrest & return” illegal migrants to the border. Abbott can also build “a border wall in multiple counties,” designate Mexican drug cartels as “foreign terrorist organizations,” and even enter into “agreements with foreign powers to enhance border security” ([PJ Media](#)).*

Senator Ernst’s bill would help.

Ernst bill would give unused border wall materials to states who want to finish project

<https://www.foxnews.com/politics/ernst-bill-unused-border-wall-materials-states-project>

Governor Abbott is doing what other border states should do! Bob D.