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The Honorable Jim Weiers
Speaker of the House
Arizona House of Representatives
1700 West Washington
Phoenix, Arizona 85007

Re: House Bill 2254: abortion; fetal pain

Dear Speaker Weiers:

Today I vetoed House Bill 2254 related to abortions and fetal pain.

This bill represents an unwarranted intrusion by politicians into the doctor-patient relationship. The legislature should not attempt to substitute its judgment for that of trained physicians with respect to professional advice given to patients.

Yours very truly,

Janet Napolitano
Governor

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cc: The Honorable Ken Bennett
The Honorable Pamela Gorman