



STATE OF ARIZONA

JANICE K. BREWER
GOVERNOR

EXECUTIVE OFFICE

April 11, 2012

The Honorable Andy Tobin
Speaker of the House
Arizona House of Representatives
1700 W. Washington
Phoenix, Arizona 85007

Re: House Bill 2434 (notification; federal law enforcement officers)

Dear Speaker Tobin,

Today, I vetoed House Bill 2434 (notification; federal law enforcement officers), which would have required federal law enforcement officers to notify county sheriffs prior to taking any official law enforcement action.

This legislation has the potential to interfere with law enforcement investigations and adds unneeded reporting requirements for law enforcement. Rather than hinder the efforts of our federal law enforcement colleagues, we need to focus on collaboration. For example, the Arizona Counter-Terrorism Intelligence Center brings together local, state and federal law enforcement to jointly fight against terrorism and other serious crimes. Establishing arbitrary reporting requirements for our federal partners takes us in the wrong direction. These concerns are among the primary reasons I have vetoed House Bill 2434.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Janice K. Brewer".

Janice K. Brewer
Governor

cc: The Honorable Steve Pierce
The Honorable David Gowan