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

RE: House Bill 2054 (charter schools; preschool programs)

Dear Speaker Tobin,

Today, I vetoed House Bill 2054, which would have allowed charter schools to offer pre-schooling options to children with disabilities. I cannot sign legislation with a fiscal impact while budget discussions are ongoing. This bill is identical to last year's Senate Bill 1256 that I vetoed for the same concern.

It seems the bill intended to include pre-school children with disabilities in the full charter school funding formula. However, the bill inadvertently omitted these children from charter school additional assistance.

This bill is clearly an important spending priority for the Legislature. I look forward to discussing the merits of this proposal either within the context of the budget process or once a budget agreement has been reached.

Sincerely,

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cc: The Honorable Andy Biggs
The Honorable Doris Goodale

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