



STATE OF ARIZONA

JANICE K. BREWER  
GOVERNOR

EXECUTIVE OFFICE

April 17, 2014

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

Re: House Bill 2541 (federal land; emergency access)

Dear Speaker Tobin,

Today, I vetoed House Bill 2541. This bill purportedly would have granted state or local jurisdictions access to federal lands to respond to a declared emergency and to use equipment necessary to remedy the emergency.

There are constitutional issues with the state "granting" access to federal land. A memorandum of understanding with federal land managers would be a better approach for state and local jurisdictions to gain the needed access to federal lands in an emergency.

These concerns are among the primary reasons I vetoed House Bill 2541.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Janice K. Brewer".

Janice K. Brewer  
Governor

cc: The Honorable Andy Biggs  
The Honorable Kelly Townsend

Passed the House March 11, 2014

Passed the Senate April 15, 2014

by the following vote: 35 Ayes,

by the following vote: 18 Ayes,

23 Nays, 2 Not Voting

12 Nays, 0 Not Voting

[Signature]

Speaker of the House

[Signature]

President of the Senate

[Signature]

Chief Clerk of the House

[Signature]

Secretary of the Senate

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT OF ARIZONA  
OFFICE OF GOVERNOR

This Bill received by the Governor this

16 day of April, 2014

at 11:50 o'clock A M.

[Signature]

Secretary to the Governor

Approved this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_

**VETO**

at \_\_\_\_\_ o'clock \_\_\_\_\_ M.

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Governor of Arizona

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT OF ARIZONA  
OFFICE OF SECRETARY OF STATE

This Bill received by the Secretary of State

this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_

at \_\_\_\_\_ o'clock \_\_\_\_\_ M.

ON RECONSIDERATION  
H.B. 2541

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Secretary of State