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April 14, 2015

The Honorable David Gowan
Speaker of the House
Arizona House of Representatives
1700 West Washington
Phoenix, Arizona 85007

Re: House Bill 2358 (TPT; exemption; crop dusters)

Dear Speaker Gowan:

Today, I vetoed House Bill 2358. While I agree and support tax policies that treat both the charter and commercial airline industry the same, and provide tax relief for purchases of aircraft for agricultural use, I have a concern regarding the unknown financial impact of making the former policy retroactive back to 1998. I encourage the sponsor to make necessary changes that allow for the charter industry to compete and thrive in Arizona, while also mitigating any unintended financial consequences to the State. I look forward to reviewing an amended version of this bill next session.

Additionally, I am requesting that the Arizona Department of Revenue stay any future and ongoing enforcement efforts of taxation on the leasing and purchasing of aircraft by charter operators, and the purchasing of aircraft built for agricultural use.

Sincerely,

Douglas A. Ducey
Governor
State of Arizona

cc: The Honorable Andy Biggs
The Honorable Thomas Shope
The Honorable Michele Reagan