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April 5, 2023

Representative Ben Toma  
Speaker of the House  
1700 W Washington St.  
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Re: HB 2535

Speaker Toma,

I have vetoed HB 2535.

This bill would preclude local communities from exerting any oversight over groundwater wells that may be connected to a municipal system or that impact our precious drinking water aquifers. Prohibiting a municipality from requiring even the most basic of safety standards and regulations for groundwater wells threatens the safety and quality of drinking water that public utilities provide to residents and businesses throughout Arizona.

Sincerely,

Katie Hobbs  
Governor  
State of Arizona

cc:

President Petersen  
Representative Griffin  
Chief Clerk of the House  
Secretary of the Senate  
Secretary Fontes