

## STATE OF ARIZONA OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

KATIE HOBBS GOVERNOR

**EXECUTIVE OFFICE** 

April 12, 2023

Senator Warren Petersen President of the Senate 1700 W Washington St. Phoenix, AZ 85007

Re: SB 1251

President Petersen,

I have vetoed SB 1251.

SB 1251 is a solution in search of a problem. As the bill sponsor stated, no Arizona city, town, or county restricts rodeos or the use of working animals for agricultural or ranching operations. There are also no pending policy proposals to do so anywhere in Arizona. Indeed, rodeo is a bedrock tradition for communities throughout our state. It has provided important economic and cultural benefits for generations of Arizonans and will continue to do so for future generations.

Sincerely,

Katie Hobbs Governor

State of Arizona

cc:

Speaker Toma Senator Shamp Secretary of the Senate Chief Clerk of the House Secretary Fontes