

## STATE OF ARIZONA OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

KATIE HOBBS GOVERNOR **EXECUTIVE OFFICE** 

April 6, 2023

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

Re: SB 1257

President Peterson,

I have vetoed SB 1257.

This bill creates an unnecessary statutory mandate for the Arizona Department of Water Resources (ADWR) to hire for a role that can already be satisfied by existing ADWR staff. Furthermore, the rigid parameters for the proposed Assistant Director would handcuff the individual's ability to effectively contribute to key agency priorities and functions.

Sincerely,

Katie Hobbs Governor

State of Arizona

Cc:

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