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EXECUTIVE OFFICE

June 18, 2024

The Honorable Warren Petersen  
President of the Senate  
Arizona State Senate  
1700 W. Washington Street  
Phoenix, AZ 85007

RE: Senate Bill 1570: psilocybin services; regulation; licensure

President Petersen,

Today, I vetoed Senate Bill 1570. The state's psilocybin research advisory board established last year recently issued its annual report with a clear message: although psilocybin may be a promising treatment in the future, we do not yet have the evidence needed to support widespread clinical expansion.

Arizonans with depression and PTSD deserve access to treatments that may be seen as outside the mainstream, but they should not be the subject of experiments for unproven therapies with a lack of appropriate guardrails.

Additionally, this bill is estimated to have an ongoing cost to the state of nearly \$400,000 per year, which was not funded in the FY25 budget.

Last year's budget included \$5 million for psilocybin research which will be allowed to continue with this year's budget. This will allow research to take place with a goal to ensure that those who seek psilocybin treatment are doing so confidently and safely under proper supervision of qualified professionals with documented and verified research to support the treatment.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'KH', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Katie Hobbs  
Governor  
State of Arizona

cc:

The Honorable Ben Toma  
The Honorable TJ Shope  
The Honorable Adrian Fontes