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

RE: Senate Bill 1143: firearms transactions; merchant codes; prohibition

President Petersen,

Today, I vetoed Senate Bill 1143. Merchant Category Codes are vital tools that help law enforcement identify perpetrators of illegal activity, including mass shootings. We should make it easier, not harder, for law enforcement to catch violent criminals.

Sincerely,

Katie Hobbs  
Governor  
State of Arizona

cc:  
The Honorable Steve Montenegro  
The Honorable Wendy Rogers  
The Honorable Adrian Fontes