

STATE OF ARIZONA OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

KATIE HOBBS GOVERNOR

EXECUTIVE OFFICE

May 12, 2025

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

RE: Senate Bill 1536: cities and towns; primary elections

President Petersen,

Today, I vetoed Senate Bill 1536. It is unclear the bill would achieve its stated objectives, and it could instead incentivize frivolous election contests and deny Arizona voters representation from their democratically elected representatives while such contests play out.

Sincerely,

Katie Hobbs Governor

State of Arizona

cc:

The Honorable Steve Montenegro The Honorable John Kavanagh The Honorable Adrian Fontes