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April 13, 2026

The Honorable Steve Montenegro
Speaker of the House
Arizona House of Representatives
1700 W. Washington Street
Phoenix, AZ 85007

RE: HB2026 assured water supply; commingling

Speaker Montenegro,

Today I vetoed HB2026. This legislation would undermine Arizona's 100-year Assured Water Supply Program, allowing for "creative" water accounting that could lead to more groundwater overpumping. Given that I vetoed this legislation in 2024 and this legislation failed to pass out of the Senate in 2025, it is disappointing to see another repeated attempt to erode our water supply protections.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "KH", followed by a long, sweeping horizontal line.

Katie Hobbs
Governor
State of Arizona

cc:

The Honorable Warren Petersen
The Honorable Gail Griffin
The Honorable Adrian Fontes