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KATIE HOBBS  
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EXECUTIVE OFFICE

February 20, 2026

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

RE: SB1056: budget unit; vacant positions; reporting

President Petersen,

Today I vetoed SB1056. This should come as no surprise since I previously vetoed this legislation. This bill does not accurately reflect the state's merit-based hiring processes and would deprive state agencies of their ability to best serve Arizonans.

Sincerely,

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

Katie Hobbs  
Governor  
State of Arizona

cc:

The Honorable Steve Montenegro  
The Honorable Mark Finchem  
The Honorable Adrian Fontes