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

RE: SB1186 document retention; proposals; donations

President Petersen,

Today I vetoed SB1186. As I have made clear, this proposal is a political stunt that applies only to one elected official, when what we really need is real transparency and accountability for all elected officials, campaigns, and affiliated political committees.

I encourage the Legislature to take reform seriously and pass the proposal I offered, representing the strongest ethics and transparency plan in modern Arizona history, which includes banning lobbyist gifts, creating a public ownership disclosure database for state contractors, and prohibiting entities seeking state contracts from making political contributions during the procurement process.

Transparency and accountability are priorities I have acted on from day one. I've already signed one of the strictest campaign finance laws in the country, including limiting inaugural contributions and legislation increasing transparency around campaign donations.

There is more work to do to ensure government works for Arizonans, and I'm ready to get it done.

Sincerely,

Katie Hobbs
Governor
State of Arizona

cc:

The Honorable Steve Montenegro
The Honorable TJ Shope
The Honorable Adrian Fontes