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KATIE HOBBS
GOVERNOR

EXECUTIVE OFFICE

May 16, 2023

Representative Ben Toma
Speaker of the House
1700 W. Washington Street
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Re: HB2444

Speaker Toma,

I have vetoed HB2444.

When Natural Resource Conservation Districts focus on preventing soil erosion, promoting soil health, and eradicating invasive species, they make our state a better place. However this bill would create a new Commission, requiring substantial administrative support from the State Land Department, without providing any funding to this agency.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "KH", with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

Katie Hobbs
Governor
State of Arizona

Cc:
President Petersen
Representative Griffin
Secretary of the Senate
Chief Clerk of the House
Secretary Fontes