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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.

Finally, this bill failed to gain any Democratic support in the House or Senate.

Sincerely,

Katie Hobbs
Governor
State of Arizona

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