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KATIE HOBBS  
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EXECUTIVE OFFICE

April 12, 2023

Senator Warren Petersen  
President of the Senate  
1700 W Washington St.  
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Re: SB 1251

President Petersen,

I have vetoed SB 1251.

SB 1251 is a solution in search of a problem. As the bill sponsor stated, no Arizona city, town, or county restricts rodeos or the use of working animals for agricultural or ranching operations. There are also no pending policy proposals to do so anywhere in Arizona. Indeed, rodeo is a bedrock tradition for communities throughout our state. It has provided important economic and cultural benefits for generations of Arizonans and will continue to do so for future generations.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "Katie Hobbs", with a long, sweeping horizontal line extending to the right.

Katie Hobbs  
Governor  
State of Arizona

cc:

Speaker Toma  
Senator Shamp  
Secretary of the Senate  
Chief Clerk of the House  
Secretary Fontes