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April 26, 2021

The Honorable Karen Fann
President of the Senate
Arizona State Senate
1700 W. Washington
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Re: Senate Bill 1261 (justification; criminal offense)

Dear President Fann:

Today I vetoed S.B. 1261.

I appreciate the sponsor's intent with this bill. However, I have heard from several county attorneys that this bill could make the prosecution of DUIs nearly impossible.

The safety of our highways and roads is of utmost importance, and I am concerned of the unintended consequences this bill may have.

Sincerely,

Douglas A. Ducey
Governor
State of Arizona

cc: The Honorable Rusty Bowers
The Honorable Lupe Contreras
The Honorable Katie Hobbs