



STATE OF ARIZONA

JANICE K. BREWER
GOVERNOR

EXECUTIVE OFFICE

April 11, 2013

The Honorable Andy Tobin
Speaker of the House
Arizona State Senate
1700 W. Washington
Phoenix, Arizona 85007

RE: House Bill 2054 (charter schools; preschool programs)

Dear Speaker Tobin,

Today, I vetoed House Bill 2054, which would have allowed charter schools to offer pre-schooling options to children with disabilities. I cannot sign legislation with a fiscal impact while budget discussions are ongoing. This bill is identical to last year's Senate Bill 1256 that I vetoed for the same concern.

It seems the bill intended to include pre-school children with disabilities in the full charter school funding formula. However, the bill inadvertently omitted these children from charter school additional assistance.

This bill is clearly an important spending priority for the Legislature. I look forward to discussing the merits of this proposal either within the context of the budget process or once a budget agreement has been reached.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Janice K. Brewer". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Janice" being more prominent.

Janice K. Brewer
Governor

cc: The Honorable Andy Biggs
The Honorable Doris Goodale



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May 23, 2013

The Honorable Andy Biggs
President of the Senate
Arizona State Senate
1700 W. Washington
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Re: Senate Bill 1323 (school district duties; buses)

Dear President Biggs,

Today, I vetoed Senate Bill 1323, which would have removed some reporting requirements pertaining to the use and inventory of school buses.

I regret being forced to write this letter. The transmission of these bills has left me little choice but to exercise the clear terms of a bill moratorium I enacted more than two weeks ago. At that time, I warned that I would not sign additional measures into law until we see resolution of the two most pressing issues facing us: adoption of a Fiscal 2014 State Budget and plan for Medicaid. It is disappointing I must demonstrate the moratorium was not an idle threat.

The Arizona Legislature has now been in session for 130 days. We have just five weeks until the end of the fiscal year, by which time it is necessary that the State of Arizona have a new budget in place in order to assure there is no suspension of critical services or programs.

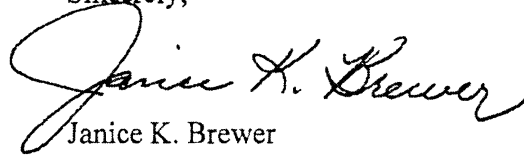
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I respectfully ask that legislators join me to resolve our budgetary and health care challenges. Once these priority issues are behind us, I am happy to once again consider unrelated legislation.

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These concerns are among the primary reasons I have vetoed Senate Bill 1323.

Sincerely,



Janice K. Brewer
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cc: The Honorable Andy Tobin
The Honorable Kimberly Yee



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Re: Senate Bill 1445 (school and school district accountability)

Dear President Biggs,

Today, I vetoed Senate Bill 1445, which would required the Department of Education to outline for failing schools the actions necessary to comply with the school improvement process.

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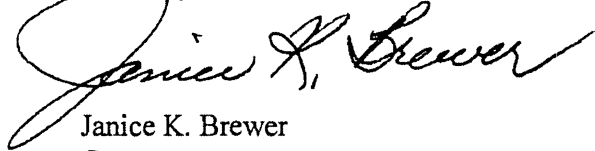
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