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EXECUTIVE OFFICE

April 28, 2023

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

Re: HB 2759

Speaker Toma,

I have vetoed HB 2759.

While this bill aims to protect victims of trafficking, stakeholders agree that it could further harm them. As previous legislatures have recognized, it is not uncommon for victims of trafficking to be charged with crimes related to their victimization. This bill unfortunately does not take this into account.

Sincerely,

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

Katie Hobbs
Governor
State of Arizona

Cc:

Speaker Toma
Representative Gillette
Secretary of the Senate
Chief Clerk of the House
Secretary Fontes