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Susana Martinez
Governor

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HOUSE EXECUTIVE MESSAGE NO. 52

The Honorable Brian Egolf, Speaker of the House and
Members of the House of Representatives
State Capitol Building
Santa Fe, NM 87501

Honorable Brian Egolf and Members of the House:

Pursuant to the Constitution of the State of New Mexico, Article IV, Section 22, I hereby VETO and return HOUSE BILL 164, as amended, enacted by the Fifty-Third Legislature, First Session, 2017.

House Bill 164 would provide irrigation and conservancy districts with blanket immunity from liability for actions taken on roads that are within these districts but that are maintained by the state. While there are valid reasons to limit governmental liability in some circumstances, the immunity granted in this bill is too broad to adequately protect the public and hold responsible parties accountable.

For these reasons, I hereby veto House Bill 164.

Respectfully yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "SMartinez".

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Chief Clerk of the House