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Susana Martinez
Governor

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HOUSE EXECUTIVE MESSAGE NO. 24

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

Honorable Speaker 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 227, enacted by the Fifty-Third Legislature, First Session, 2017.

I have consistently prioritized open government and transparency throughout my tenure as Governor. My efforts at making our state more transparent have effectually held the executive more accountable and have better acquainted the people of New Mexico with the procedures that impact their everyday lives. However, I cannot support a bill that would allow political organizations to take personal information—such as addresses and phone numbers—from private citizens in an attempt to push their political agendas. Implementation of HB 227 may result in several unintended consequences and would likely prove to be extremely costly.

For those reasons, I hereby veto HB 227.

Respectfully yours,

Susana Martinez

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