

April 11, 2025

SENATE EXECUTIVE MESSAGE NO. 26

The Honorable Mimi Stewart, President Pro Tempore  
and Members of the New Mexico State Senate  
State Capitol Building  
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87501

President Pro Tempore Stewart and Members of the Senate:

I have decided to veto SENATE BILL 142, as amended (“SB 142”), which amends provisions governing the Grid Modernization Roadmap and Grant Program. Let me say at the outset that I support the efforts to develop a roadmap and strategies that would modernize our State’s electric grid. This legislation, however, duplicates efforts that are already underway to achieve this goal. Currently, the New Mexico Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department is working to address this and has already issued a Grid Modernization Roadmap that has been used to inform and guide the grid modernization work. I appreciate the bill’s attempt to provide for further development of our State’s grid. I believe, however, that this bill would add more bureaucracy to the process and will hinder the crucial work that is already being done to get the State of New Mexico’s electrical grid where it needs to be.

Because of these issues, and pursuant to my authority under Article IV, Section 22 of the New Mexico Constitution, I have vetoed SENATE BILL 142, as amended, enacted by the Fifty-Seventh Legislature, First Session, 2025.

Respectfully yours,

Michelle Lujan Grisham  
Governor

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By \_\_\_\_\_  
Secretary of State

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By \_\_\_\_\_  
Chief Clerk of the Senate