

April 9, 2021

SENATE EXECUTIVE MESSAGE NO. 32

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

Dear President Pro Tempore Stewart and Members of the Senate:

I have decided to veto Senate Bill 341 (“SB 341”), which would have eliminated the Public Education Department’s authority to distribute grants from the community schools fund unless specifically appropriated by the Legislature. Such grants are vital in supporting the development and implementation of community school initiatives, which ameliorate the effects of educational disparities by expanding opportunities for students and their families. The Public Education Department is more than capable of carefully and expeditiously distributing these grants without any unnecessary limits imposed by the Legislature.

For these reasons, and pursuant to my authority under Article IV, Section 22 of the New Mexico Constitution, I have vetoed SENATE BILL 341, enacted by the Fifty-Fifth Legislature, First Session.

Respectfully yours,

Michelle Lujan Grisham
Governor

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