

May 7, 2003

The Honorable Jake Flake  
Speaker of the House  
Arizona House of Representatives  
1700 West Washington  
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Re: House Bill 2319, firearms regulated by State of Arizona

Dear Speaker Flake:

Today, I am allowing to pass into law without my signature House Bill 2319, pertaining to firearms regulated by the State.

I write this letter, however, to clarify my general opposition to state efforts to pre-empt local regulatory control. The statute that House Bill 2319 amends, ARS § 13-3108, is an example of undue interference by the state in the regulatory affairs of local communities.

Although I would prefer to see these types of pre-emptive laws reduced rather than added to, I recognize that the additional restrictions on local control imposed by House Bill 2319 are comparatively minor and I therefore am allowing it to pass into law.

Yours very truly,

Janet Napolitano  
Governor

cc: The Honorable Ken Bennett  
The Honorable Randy Graf