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To the Members of the California State Senate:

I am returning Senate Bill 1256 without my signature.

This bill would ban the sale of disposable, single-use propane cylinders on or after January 1, 2028, and would establish civil penalties for violations of the ban.

I acknowledge there are several challenges and costs faced by local governments and solid waste management authorities responsible for the disposal of single-use propane cylinders. However, an outright ban without a plan for collection and refill infrastructure could inhibit the success of building a circular system in California.

California has successfully implemented many reuse and recycling systems, from the Beverage Container Recycling Program to several extended producer responsibility programs. These market-based solutions both significantly reduce waste and create jobs by turning a challenging product into a resource. I encourage the Legislature and stakeholders to work on a similar approach for the collection and reuse of this product that accounts for manufacturer and retail responsibility.

For these reasons, I cannot sign this bill.

Sincerely om

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