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WYOMING LEGISLATURE'S PRESIDING OFFICERS ISSUE STATEMENT REGARDING GUBERNATORIAL VETOES

CHEYENNE – Senate President Ogden Driskill and Speaker of the House Albert Sommers issue the following statement regarding Gov. Mark Gordon's veto of [Senate File 0054](#):

"As the Presiding Officers of the Wyoming Senate and House of Representatives, we have been closely monitoring the vetoes issued by Governor Gordon of bills passed during the 2024 Budget Session. We have become increasingly concerned about the Governor's disregard for the will of the people's representatives and the legislation we have passed. Our concern was further heightened last night by the veto of Senate File 54, which provided all residents of Wyoming with substantial property tax relief.

"Senate File 54 would have provided a reduction of 25% of the tax burden for every homeowner in Wyoming up to the first \$2 million dollars of assessed value for a residential property for the next two years. We are extremely disappointed that Governor Gordon would characterize this relief from skyrocketing property taxes as a giveaway to Wyoming citizens. All Wyoming homeowners deserve property tax relief after double digit tax increases the past two years. Despite the Governor trying to characterize this bill as liberal spending, he forgets that cutting taxes is a conservative value. Time limited tax relief is both conservative and prudent.

"After the Governor's veto of Senate File 54, the Legislature cannot take any action to effectuate tax relief in time for implementation in fiscal year 2024. We will again have our Joint Revenue Committee continue to develop meaningful tax relief for all Wyoming residents, like they did during the 2024 interim, for introduction at the 2025 General Session." – END –