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## Governor Hobbs Vetoes Bipartisan Bill to Protect Parental Access to Children's Medical Records

**STATE CAPITOL, PHOENIX** – State Representative Julie Willoughby expressed dismay in Governor Hobbs following the announcement late Tuesday that she had vetoed [HB 2183](#), a bill to grant Arizona parents the right to access electronic medical records of their minor children through online portals or equivalent platforms used by many health care providers.

**“I am deeply dismayed by Governor Hobbs’ decision to veto HB 2183,”** said Representative Willoughby, sponsor of the bill. **“This was important legislation designed to assist Arizona families, particularly those with children suffering from chronic diseases, access vital medical records, which are often required for arranging specialty follow-up appointments, surgeries, or consultations with out-of-state specialists. The governor’s veto means that families will continue to face unnecessary hurdles in obtaining the critical information they need, precisely when they need it most, especially during urgent health crises. This decision not only undermines the welfare of vulnerable families but also impedes their access to necessary healthcare information.”**

The Arizona parents’ bill of rights safeguards parents’ ability to make healthcare decisions for their minor children. Representative Willoughby’s HB 2183 expanded upon this protection, guaranteeing parents’ equal access to healthcare delivery platforms like online medical portals to care for their minor children. The bill garnered bipartisan support when it was approved by the Arizona House of Representatives in February.

**“House Majority Leader Leo Biasucci and Representative Selina Bliss have been remarkable in supporting this bill and I’m grateful for their teamwork on the bill,”** added Representative Willoughby.

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