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HOBBS VETOES BILL PROTECTING WOMEN & GIRLS

It's a shame we have a woman as a Governor who won't even recognize in state law the definition of a woman. This week, Katie Hobbs disgracefully vetoed the Arizona Women's Bill of Rights, along with 12 other bills. I sponsored this legislation because biological men are invading the personal spaces of biological women and girls, like bathrooms and locker rooms, increasing their risk of sexual assaults. Bigger, stronger males are also robbing females of the athletic opportunities carved out specifically for them and subjecting female athletes to injuries. The madness needs to stop. Democrats have launched an attack against the 3.5 million biological females in Arizona. While a Democrat is currently in control of the Governor's Office, real women must continue to push back, stand for truth, and make their voices heard to advocate for the protection of their rights.



-Senator Sine Kerr



HOBBS ABANDONS GOD

I'm appalled the state's top elected official is abandoning God and the very foundation our country was built upon by not allowing teachers to expose their students to the morals and ethics outlined in the Ten Commandments. She vetoed my bill that would have included copies of the Ten Commandments within the list of materials a school may share. When you look at some of the garbage being forced on our children in the classroom, it's no wonder rates of depression, anxiety, and suicide among youth are at their highest levels ever recorded. When children are exposed to good, noble, honest, and righteous ideas, they are more prone to living as better human beings with sound character, able to navigate life's problems with grace, and have a greater chance of treating each other with respect and dignity throughout life. Sadly, Katie Hobbs' veto is a prime example of Democrats' efforts to push state-sponsored atheism while robbing Arizona's children of the opportunity to flourish with a healthy moral compass.



-Senator Anthony Kern





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HOBBS BLOCKS MORE COMMONSENSE LEGISLATION

Katie Hobbs' most recent vetoes made her the new record holder for most vetoes for an Arizona Governor since 1991 with 185. Among those were two of my bills aimed at providing election transparency and protecting Arizonan's Second Amendment rights. SB 1097 would have added a school board candidates' party designation to the candidate's name. Currently, school board candidates' political affiliation is not revealed. Without a political designation, it can be difficult to know where candidates stand on issues like parental rights, district policies, and school curriculum. With this veto, Hobbs is proliferating the secrecy of where candidates stand on important issues impacting Arizona's children. SB 1189 would have kept a city, town, or county from discriminatorily prohibiting a gun show from occurring. It's a shame we have a governor who opposes transparency and constitutional rights.



-Senator Justine Wadsack

PROTECTING CHILDREN FROM SEX OFFENDERS

I stated at the beginning of the year that I've made it my goal to be a living nightmare for sex offenders. I meant it, and I'm proud to share I've taken steps to achieve this. Two of my bills aimed at protecting Arizona's most vulnerable population from criminals who've committed dangerous crimes against children, otherwise known as DCACs, have been signed into law. DCACs are the most heinous crimes a person can commit, and both bills will ensure communities are informed on who exactly these pedophiles are when they're released into society. SB 1236 will now require additional level one sex offenders convicted of a DCAC to be published on the internet sex offender website. SB 1404 will ensure schools are notified if a parent of a child attending that school is a registered sex offender convicted of a DCAC. This new law particularly addresses situations where children are attending a school out of the district in which they live. Although these are significant wins, there's still much work to do to protect Arizona's children.



-Senator Janae Shamp



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CRACKING DOWN ON REUNIFICATION CAMPS

Senate Republicans are protecting Arizona children from the horrors of reunification camps with SB 1372 signed into law this week. Courts will be prohibited from ordering children to participate in family reunification treatment unless both parents consent. These "camps" are a for-profit scheme where children within broken families are forcibly taken against their will from the parent they prefer to spend their time with and are put through rigorous mental health evaluations and therapies until the children convey a convincing desire to be with the other parent. Many times, this parent the child is choosing to be away from is an abuser, and the trauma associated with being forced back into this environment only furthers the cycle of victimization. Disgustingly, nine out of 14 Senate Democrats and nearly all House Democrats voted 'no' on protecting our children from this heinous practice.



-Senator Shawna Bolick

COMBATING ORGANIZED RETAIL THEFT

Just last week, three people were arrested for a retail theft spree across Phoenix and Tucson that totaled around \$500,000 in stolen merchandise. This type of criminal activity is on the rise, especially in Democrat-controlled states with soft on crime attitudes, and we must create laws to help law enforcement crack down on it. Thankfully, my bill SB 1411, which establishes a task force to combat crimes that relate to stealing, embezzling or obtaining retail merchandise by fraud, false pretenses, or other illegal means for the purposes of reselling the items, was signed into law. The task force will be comprised of federal, state, and local law enforcement, in order to use their combined skills, expertise, and resources more effectively. It will also create a system for law enforcement to work together to fight this criminal activity. I'm happy to support our small and large business owners with this measure. Republicans are committed to preventing this nasty trend we're watching explode in California from exploding in Arizona too.



-Senator David Gowan



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