




ARIZONA STATE REPRESENTATIVE SELINA BLISS


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Legislative District 1	Selina Bliss serves in the Arizona State House of Representatives as a strong conservative voice for Arizona
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What's New



Capital Connection:  Legislative Updates


Legislative Updates from Representative Selina Bliss



HB2022

School safety; employee certification; policies

PASSED 7-5 IN EDU & 6-3 IN JUD



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HB2022

◆ Protecting Our Schools & Students – Representative Selina Bliss is proud to announce that HB 2022 has successfully passed the Education Committee (7-5) and Judiciary Committee (6-3). This crucial bill allows schools to train and arm staff to defend students against threats—because when seconds count, law enforcement may be minutes away.

Next Steps: HB 2022 will continue through the legislative process. Stay tuned for updates, and let your voices be heard in support of this commonsense safety measure!



◆ **Fighting for Housing Solutions** – It's been a busy month for Representative Bliss, she has raised concerns about the growing housing crisis in rural Arizona, where the displacement of housing stock has reached 20% in some areas. She is calling for proactive solutions before the situation worsens, urging elected leaders to take action to protect homeownership and affordability.



◆ **Defending Constitutional Rights** – In response to a recent recommendation from the Arizona Child Fatality Review Team to remove firearms from homes with children, Representative Bliss, alongside Representative Quang Nguyen, pushed back against what they see as an infringement on Second Amendment rights. They are advocating for policies that prioritize both public safety and constitutional freedoms.

We are thrilled to announce that Representative Bliss has been appointed as the new House Chair of the Cancer Caucus, leading the **Arizona Chapter of the American Cancer Action Network (ACS CAN)**. With a passion for advocacy and a commitment to improving cancer prevention, treatment, and survivorship policies, she is ready to drive meaningful change for cancer patients and their families across Arizona.



This year, ACS CAN is focused on advancing key legislative priorities, including:

- ✓ Expanding access to affordable cancer screenings and treatments
- ✓ Advocating for increased funding for cancer research and patient support programs
- ✓ Strengthening policies that reduce health disparities and promote early detection
- ✓ Ensuring that the voices of cancer patients, survivors, and caregivers are heard at the state and federal levels

As we embark on this journey, we need your support! Whether you're a survivor, caregiver, healthcare professional, or advocate, there are many ways to get involved. Stay tuned for upcoming events, policy updates, and opportunities to take action.

Save Our Children School Safety Program Advances to the Senate

Prescott Republican Rep. Selina Bliss is proud to announce that HB2022, the **Save Our Children School Safety Program**, has successfully passed the Arizona House of Representatives with a 33-26 vote and is now awaiting Senate action.

This vital legislation provides a flexible menu of safety options for schools, ensuring staff receive essential training in crisis management, de-escalation techniques, and the use of medical equipment to assist students and staff in the event of an emergency. Additionally, HB2022 affirms the right of school officials to allow employees to carry firearms on school grounds, enhancing preparedness for active threats. The measure also includes civil and criminal liability protections for staff who take action during crisis events.



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In the Community



Community Events and Happenings

Remember, where they train is where they stay! As we look at healthcare education and the workforce in Arizona, this week I toured the classrooms and simulation labs at Creighton University Health Sciences Campus in Phoenix. What a jewel for the state of Arizona!



Investing in top-tier training facilities like this not only attracts future healthcare professionals but also strengthens our local workforce, ensuring quality care for our communities. It's exciting to see Arizona fostering such an environment for the next generation of medical professionals. Let's get to work!



Pictured: Vivien Winneke resident of Dewey-Humboldt, AZ courtesy of Tim Agne/KJZZ

Protecting Rural Arizona: Rep. Bliss Pushes for Fair Insurance Rates Amid Rising Wildfire Risks

At the state Capitol, Bliss says insurance companies are using outdated information to make their policies, or information that unfairly disregards mitigation efforts. She supports legislation that intends to require insurers to consider a community's firewising efforts when setting rates.

Listen and Read here: [As wildfire risk rises across Arizona, insurance companies are raising rates, dropping coverage](#)



Legislative reception at Phoenix Forge with members of the Arizona Legislature, **MCCCD's** Governing Board, system leaders, and the **Maricopa Student Senate**



Pictured: Cheryl Todd, and Legislator Bliss who was the keynote speaker at the **Women for Gun Rights Arizona** meeting.



HB 2182

A busy month at the Capitol, but with the help of the Arizona Alzheimer's Association we introduced **HB 2182** in January to support vulnerable adults with cognitive impairments.



What's Next

Upcoming votes, Events, Committee Hearings and Policies

HB2021 – early ballots; early voting; identification Brings confidence to Arizona elections by reducing wait times for election results. Early ballots are due by 7:00 p.m. Friday before the election. ID must be shown to drop off an early ballot on election day.

HB 2127 - hazardous substance release; notice; liability Prevents foreign countries from purchasing mineral rights to subsequently contaminate U.S. properties, the example being Senator Mine in Prescott, Arizona

HB2207 – child sex trafficking; juvenile defendants Under the 8th Amendment of the US Constitution, protects children who are victims of sex trafficking
HB 2308 - vacation rentals; ordinance; limits; exemption Gives cities and towns back the ability to regulate the number and density of short-term rentals

HB 2179 - marijuana; advertising; restrictions Protects children by preventing cannabis dispensaries from targeting youths in the advertising of marijuana products

HB 2697 - Water; residential lease communities Requires the build-to-rent developers are held to the same 100-year assured water supply certificate as build-to-sell developers in active management areas



HB2180

Healthcare On the Horizon

HB2180, sponsored by Representative Selina Bliss, proposes to extend the repeal date for Arizona's Acute Care Services at Home Pilot Program. This initiative allows licensed hospitals to deliver acute medical services to patients in their homes, aiming to improve patient outcomes while reducing healthcare costs. The program is designed to align with the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services' Acute Care at Home Program.



Mark your Calendars!

Honored to be speaking at the Gun Owners of America (GOA) AZ Freedom Festival is March 1, 2025. It is the largest gathering of Pro 2nd Amendment people in the state!

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Stay engaged! Follow along for more updates as we continue to work on issues impacting District 1 and Arizona families.

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