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**Arizona House of Representatives**

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## Rep. Syme's Victims' Rights Bill Signed Into Law

**STATE CAPITOL, PHOENIX** – Representative Maria Syme (R-28) today thanked Governor Ducey for signing [HB 2269](#) into law.

The bill modernizes the information and notifications given to victims of crimes. It also adds important privacy protections for minor victims and prohibits offenders from collecting from any civil action against the state until full restitution has been paid to the victims and incarceration costs have been paid to the state.

**"Too often, the legal process can put so much attention on punishing criminal offenders that it neglects the rights of victims of crime,"** said Representative Syme. **"HB 2269 strengthens victims' rights by making them a priority in the criminal justice process and helping to restore the dignity they deserve."**

**"I thank my colleagues for recognizing the value of this legislation and thank Governor Ducey for signing it into law."**

HB 2269 passed out of both the House of Representatives and the Senate unanimously.

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