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~~technical correction; national guard~~
(now: inmate medical records; electronic storage)

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CHAPTER 25

HOUSE BILL 2857

AN ACT

AMENDING TITLE 41, CHAPTER 11, ARTICLE 1, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES, BY
ADDING SECTION 41-1610.04; RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS.

(TEXT OF BILL BEGINS ON NEXT PAGE)

1 Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Arizona:

2 Section 1. Title 41, chapter 11, article 1, Arizona Revised
3 Statutes, is amended by adding section 41-1610.04, to read:

4 41-1610.04. Inmate medical records; electronic storage;
5 definition

6 A. THE DEPARTMENT MAY STORE AN INMATE'S MEDICAL RECORDS
7 ELECTRONICALLY.

8 B. NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER LAW, IF THE DEPARTMENT STORES AN
9 INMATE'S MEDICAL RECORDS ELECTRONICALLY, THE DEPARTMENT IS NOT REQUIRED TO
10 KEEP AND MAY DISPOSE OF ANY PHYSICAL COPIES OF AN INMATE'S MEDICAL
11 RECORDS.

12 C. FOR THE PURPOSES OF THIS SECTION, "MEDICAL RECORDS" INCLUDES ANY
13 MEDICAL RECORDS THAT ARE RETAINED BY THE DEPARTMENT OR A MEDICAL
14 PROFESSIONAL AND THAT RELATE TO MEDICAL TREATMENT THAT WAS PROVIDED TO THE
15 INMATE WHILE IN A DEPARTMENT FACILITY.

APPROVED BY THE GOVERNOR APRIL 7, 2026.

FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE APRIL 7, 2026.