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**Senator Campbell's Statement on Passage of SB 1264**

"Senate Bill 1264 is a step in the wrong direction. This bill moves our state closer to single-payer medicine and further away from doctors and hospitals being able to operate in a free market. The state cannot simply wave a magic wand and make the real costs of providing health care disappear. These costs have to be made up somewhere, either by reducing access to care or through health insurance companies raising their premiums. Neither is a decent outcome for patients. Surprise medical bills do exist, not because of greedy doctors, but because health insurers who charge thousands of dollars in premiums surprisingly don't pay for health care when families need it. This is the true issue that meaningful health care reform must address. SB 1264 does not, and so I must vote against this bill."

-State Senator Donna Campbell, M.D.

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*State Senator Donna Campbell is an emergency room physician from New Braunfels who chairs the Veteran Affairs and Border Security Committee.*