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**Sen. Campbell Calls for Medical Vouchers to Replace Troubled VA**  
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AUSTIN-- As one of four state lawmakers participating in a 2014 Veterans Summit in San Antonio today, State Senator Donna Campbell said it's time to stop shortchanging our veterans and eliminate the bureaucratic VA hospital system in favor of patient choice through medical vouchers. She told the group of veterans that she will likely author a resolution urging U.S. Congress to take action:

"We have an obligation to protect our veterans who have protected us; to ensure that those who have sacrificed for our freedom have access to the best care and receive the benefits they've earned. Right now we don't have a VA system of patient access, but a bureaucratic nightmare of backlogs, inefficiencies, and secret wait lists. Our veterans deserve better, and vouchers would provide a dramatic improvement in immediate quality care. I am urging Congress to consider a voucher system that puts the medical care of veterans back in the private sector where they can choose their own doctor or hospital."

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*Senator Donna Campbell represents Senate District 25 which includes all or parts of Bexar, Comal, Guadalupe, Hays, Kendall and Travis counties. She is an emergency room physician who sits on the Senate Veterans Affairs and Military Installations Committee.*