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## House Education Committee Greenlights Kolodin Bill Empowering Student Choice in Funding Campus Organizations

STATE CAPITOL, PHOENIX – Arizona State Representative Alexander Kolodin announced that the House Education Committee today approved [HB 2178](#), bipartisan legislation he has sponsored to empower public university students in determining the allocation of their tuition and fees to support student organizations and clubs. The bill was approved along party lines, with all Republicans supporting the commonsense policy.

**“No student should be compelled to fund groups that harbor ideologies against their beliefs, especially when those groups literally seek to destroy them,”** said Representative Kolodin. **“Testimony shared during the Ad Hoc Committee on Antisemitism [meeting](#) in December detailed troubling experiences of harassment and discrimination based on Jewish identity. It was clear that more must be done to address the increasing problem of antisemitism on school campuses. That’s the intent behind my sponsorship of HB 2178, which will ensure that every student, including our Jewish community, has the autonomy to support organizations aligned with their values.”**

Provisions of HB 2178:

- **Empowering Student Choice:** Mandates that each public university, when transferring funds to university-recognized student organizations or clubs, must allow every tuition-paying student to designate one or more organizations to receive a proportional share of the transferred funds.
- **Ensuring Transparency and Accountability:** HB 2178 ensures that funds are transferred in accordance with the students’ selections, promoting transparency and accountability in the allocation process.
- **Default Allocation for Unselected Students:** If a student opts not to select any student organizations or clubs, the money they contribute will be distributed according to the rules already in place by law. This ensures fair distribution even if a student doesn't make a specific choice.

HB 2178 is cosponsored by Representatives Carbone and Hernandez.

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