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Representative Kolodin Urges Governor Hobbs to Sign HB 2178, Addressing Anti-Semitism, Empowering Student Funding Choices

STATE CAPITOL, PHOENIX – Arizona State Representative Alexander Kolodin announced today that his bipartisan bill, [HB 2178](#), empowering public university students to determine the allocation of their tuition and fees to support student organizations and clubs, received final legislative approval and will now be sent to Governor Hobbs for her signature into law.

“The Legislature’s passage of HB 2178 marks an important step toward respecting the individual rights and choices of our public university students, ensuring that every student has the freedom to support organizations that align with their values and beliefs, free from any coercion,” said Representative Kolodin. “As this bill now proceeds to Governor Hobbs’ desk, I’m reminded of the powerful testimonies shared during the Ad Hoc Committee on Antisemitism [meeting](#) in December, which detailed the troubling harassment and discrimination Jewish students face. HB 2178 is a firm stance against discrimination to make our campuses welcoming for all students, irrespective of their backgrounds or beliefs. I strongly urge Governor Hobbs to sign it into law.”

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.

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