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Arizona House of Representatives

Representative David Cook (R-8)

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House Approves Bill Raising Arizona's Unemployment Benefit

STATE CAPITOL, PHOENIX – The Arizona House of Representatives today approved [HB 2805](#), bipartisan legislation sponsored by Republican Representative David Cook, to raise the state's unemployment weekly insurance benefit amount from \$240 to \$300, and increasing the income disregard cap from \$30 to \$160, to allow a total weekly benefit of \$460.

"Unemployed Arizonans struggle to make ends meet and put food on their family's table," said Representative Cook. **"Tonight, they're a step closer to having some more support. It's the right thing for us to do, and the bill does it responsibly."**

"I'm grateful for the bipartisanship of my colleagues. It is a good example that the work we do as legislators can have a real and meaningful impact on the lives of the people we're here to represent."

The bill now moves to the State Senate for consideration.

David Cook is a Republican member of the Arizona House of Representatives serving Legislative District 8, which includes areas of Pinal and Gila Counties.

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