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House Approves Fillmore Bill that Ensures School Students Meet Requirements Before Promotion

STATE CAPITOL, PHOENIX – The House today approved [HB 2284](#), legislation sponsored by State Representative John Fillmore that would requires a teacher to retain a student in a common school grade, or fail a student in a high school course, if the student does not meet the prescribed criteria for promotion or prescribed competency requirements.

“With today’s vote we are closer to ending one of the most destructive policies ever thrust onto our children,” said Representative Fillmore. **“The very idea that children have been promoted in school when they were not proficient in their current grade standards is unacceptable. It’s a disservice to the student when that is done, and it sets them up for failure in life. This bill sets the clear expectation that school districts will have to ensure students are educated instead of just promoting them before they are ready.”**

HB 2284 will now be sent to the Senate for consideration.

John Fillmore is a Republican member of the Arizona House of Representatives serving Legislative District 16, which includes East Mesa, Apache Junction, Gold Canyon, and North San Tan Valley. Follow him on Twitter at @JMFillmore.

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