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Chairman Duffey, Vice Chair Antani, Ranking Member Sweeney, and members of the House Higher Education and Workforce Development Committee, thank you for the opportunity to provide sponsor testimony on House Bill 758. In the interest of time for this committee and our proponents today, I will keep my remarks very short.

The goal of this legislation is to allow students and student organizations the freedom to think. And in order to think, they must risk entertaining concepts that challenge the status quo. Our colleges and universities should be places where students have their views challenged, where they have to think and think critically about a myriad of subjects, both familiar and unfamiliar, easily digestible and potentially uncomfortable. Freedom of thought is directly correlated with freedom of speech and we would do well to preserve both within the confines of higher education. To prepare students for the future, we must challenge them in the present. Mr. Chairman, members of the committee, again, thank you for the opportunity to provide sponsor testimony on House Bill 758 and my joint sponsor and I would be happy to take any questions at this time.