



Peace and Freedom Party of California

Legislative Committee

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January 22, 2021

Hon. Assemblymember Jose Medina
State Capitol, Room 2141
Sacramento, CA 94249-0061

Subject: AB 101 (Medina) SUPPORT

Dear Assembly Member Medina:

I am writing to you on behalf of the Peace and Freedom Party of California to support AB 101.

This bill would add the completion of a one-semester course in ethnic studies, meeting specified requirements, to the high school graduation requirements commencing with pupils graduating in the 2029–30 school year. We fully support the bills intended purpose of encouraging school districts to offer a course in ethnic studies which promotes a positive picture of the various ethnic groups in California. However, we are concerned that there is an effort to remove Palestinians history and culture from this program.

Our support is based on our belief that students need to be informed about the full range of California's ethnic diversity. A diversity that is one of our state's great strengths. Since the Peace and Freedom Party first qualified for the ballot in California over 50 years ago, in January 1968, it has championed the positive aspects of our various ethnic groupings.

For these reasons we critically support AB 101. To discuss our position on this bill further, please contact our Legislative Liaison, C.T. Weber at 916-422-5395 (message) or CTWeberVoters@att.net or our Committee Chair, John Reiger, at 916-456-4595 or reigers@earthlink.net.

Sincerely,

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