

**PRESS RELEASE**

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**SUBJECT: State Rep. Kulik to address Faculty Senate regarding state finances**

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**KULIK TO DISCUSS HOUSE BUDGET, STATE FINANCES**

**Massachusetts Rep. Stephen Kulik, D-Worthington, assistant vice chairman of the House Ways and Means Committee, is scheduled to address the Faculty Senate at 3:30 p.m. Thursday, May 7, in 227 Herter Hall. Kulik says he plans to discuss the state's financial situation, as well as the House of Representatives budget.**

**Kulik will be followed by Bryan Harvey, associate provost for academic planning and assessment, who will be presenting an update on the University's reaccreditation process.**

**Also on the agenda, the senate's Rules Committee plans to propose establishing an ad hoc committee on strategic oversight. And the senate is scheduled to vote on graduate certificates in African Diaspora Studies and Teaching for Diversity.**

**The University's principal administrative officers will offer updates on their areas of responsibility and take questions from the audience.**

**The meeting is open to the public.**

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