

Preview of “Groups matter?”

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Overview for next week

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- Schlozman – “What Accent the Heavenly Chorus?”
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Truman (and Olson)

- How does Truman think about groups in politics?
- Does Truman think that the public's interests will get represented?
- How credible are his ideas in light of what we read previously from Olson?

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Schlozman

- What groups actually participate in politics?
- Are groups evenly or equitably represented?
- What implications does this have for Truman's ideas and representation in general?

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Helboe Pedersen

- Is it possible to see the impact of groups in politics?

