

ABSTRAK

Keterwakilan perempuan dalam lembaga legislatif merupakan salah satu indikator penting dalam mewujudkan demokrasi yang inklusif dan berkeadilan. Penelitian ini bertujuan untuk mendeskripsikan persepsi mahasiswa Fakultas Ilmu Sosial dan Ilmu Politik Universitas Malikussaleh terhadap peran legislator perempuan dalam mempengaruhi kebijakan berbasis gender, serta bentuk dukungan mahasiswa terhadap perjuangan legislator perempuan. Penelitian ini menggunakan pendekatan kualitatif deskriptif dengan teknik purposive sampling. Data dikumpulkan melalui observasi, wawancara mendalam, dan studi dokumentasi, kemudian dianalisis melalui reduksi data, penyajian data, dan penarikan kesimpulan. Hasil penelitian menunjukkan bahwa mahasiswa cenderung memiliki persepsi positif terhadap legislator perempuan, karena dinilai mampu mewakili kepentingan perempuan dan kelompok rentan. Namun, efektivitas peran tersebut masih dipengaruhi oleh keterbatasan keterwakilan, budaya patriarki, dan dinamika politik. Dukungan mahasiswa didasarkan pada kompetensi, integritas, dan komitmen legislator perempuan dalam memperjuangkan kesetaraan gender.

Kata Kunci: Legislator Perempuan, Persepsi Mahasiswa, Kebijakan Berbasis Gender, Keterwakilan Perempuan, Dukungan Politik.

ABSTRACT

Women's representation in legislative indicator in realizing an inclusive and equitable democracy. This study aims to describe the perceptions of students at the Faculty of Social and Political Sciences, Malikussaleh University, regarding the role of female legislators in influencing gender – based policies, as well as the forms of student support for the struggle of female legislators. This study uses a descriptive qualitative approach with a purposive sampling technique. Data were collected through observation, in-depth interviews, and documentation studies, then analyzed through data reduction, data presentation, and drawing conclusions. The results show that students tend to have a positive perception of the role female legislators, because they are considered capable of representing the interests of women and vulnerable groups. However, the effectiveness of this role is still influenced by limited representation, patriarchal culture, and political dynamics. Student support is based on the competence, integrity, and commitment of female legislators in fighting for gender equality.

Keywords: *Female Legislators, Student Perceptions, Gender – Based Policies, Women's Representation, Political Supports.*