



Texas Association of Student Financial Aid Administrators

Dear Senators and Representatives:

Greetings. I am writing as the president of the Texas Association of Student Financial Aid Administrators to inform you of the scope and availability of financial aid knowledge within our membership. We represent institutions of higher education serving hundreds of thousands of students throughout the state and are a significant part of a nationwide network of professionals administering private, institutional, state and federal funds. Our mission is: providing students with the resources and choices necessary to access higher education opportunities.

The Association, established in 1967, is one of the largest of its kind in the nation and represents over 2,000 financial aid professionals at approximately 170 Texas institutions of higher learning. Member institutions include:

- Two- and four-year public colleges and universities
- Two- and four-year private colleges and universities
- Health related and nursing institutions
- Graduate and professional institutions
- Proprietary institutions
- Historically Black Colleges and Universities
- Hispanic Serving Institutions
- National Research Universities
- Emerging Research Universities

We serve a diverse population and have expertise in many areas, including:

- Student financial aid
- College affordability
- Student debt
- Reporting and data analysis
- Counseling and financial literacy programs
- Fund management and awarding philosophies
- Innovative student success initiatives

The Association is well aware of the matters affecting financial aid funding and administration and are prepared to voice position(s) and provide information regarding the many legislative issues which will be addressed in this and future sessions.

Please visit our website, www.tasfaa.org, for more information about our members and initiatives and call upon me or any of our leadership if we may ever be of service. I look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

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