



# The Student Senate

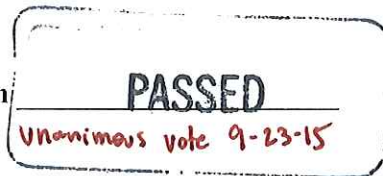
Texas A&M University

S.B. 68-05

The Student Senate  
68th Session  
Texas A&M University

**Introduced By:** Michael Murtha, Former Off-Campus Senator  
**Sponsored By:** Zach Carlson, Student Services Chair  
Aaron Mitchell, Speaker of the Senate

Action Taken:



Certified By:

Aaron Mitchell  
Speaker of the Senate

Duly Approved:

Joseph Benigno  
Student Body President

## The Grandfather Bill

*"A bill requesting that all Aggies attending Texas A&M University when the seal was changed by the Board of Regents have the option to have the former seal on their degree."*

**Whereas(1):** The former seal of Texas A&M is widely held by Aggies everywhere as the official image of Texas A&M; and,

**Whereas(2):** The students of Texas A&M opposed the change of the seal and have further shown their disapproval through a petition that has garnered thousands of signatures; and,

**Whereas(3):** A degree for a college graduate is a symbol that is proudly honored and includes the seal of their university; and,

**Whereas(4):** The Texas A&M classes of 2015, 2016, 2017, and 2018 all had been admitted to Texas A&M with the former seal in hopes to have that seal proudly adorned on their degree; and,



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**Whereas(5):** The Board of Regents stated that the seal change would take place gradually through ‘normal obsolescence’; and,

**Whereas(6):** When the name of the school was changed from Agricultural and Mechanical College of Texas to Texas A&M University in 1963, students currently attending had the option of choosing which title to have on their ring.

**Therefore  
Let it be**

**Enacted(1):** That the Texas A&M Student Senate requests that the Aggies of the classes of 2015, 2016, 2017, and 2018 have the option to receive either the former seal or new seal on their diplomas in accordance with the Board of Regents statement of normal obsolescence; and,

**Let it  
Further be**

**Enacted(2):** That in the event that the Board of Regents makes the decision to return to the former seal, this bill becomes null and void; and,

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Further be**

**Enacted(3):** That a copy of this bill be sent to the following after its passage:

- Michael Young, President of Texas A&M University
- John Sharp, Chancellor of the Texas A&M University System
- Cliff Thomas, Chairman of the Texas A&M University System Board of Regents
- Elaine Mendoza, Vice Chairman of the Texas A&M University System Board of Regents
- Phil Adams, Chairman of the Texas A&M University System Board of Regents
- Robert L. Albritton, Regent for the Texas A&M University System Board of Regents
- Anthony G. Buzbee, Regent for the Texas A&M University System Board of Regents



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- Morris E. Foster, Regent for the Texas A&M University System Board of Regents
- Bill Mahomes, Regent for the Texas A&M University System Board of Regents
- Judy Morgan, Regent for the Texas A&M University System Board of Regents
- Charles W. Schwartz, Regent for the Texas A&M University System Board of Regents
- Gabe Pereira, Student Regent for the Texas A&M University System Board of Regents