



# The Student Senate

## Texas A&M University

S.B. 63-37-R64

The Student Senate  
64<sup>th</sup> Session  
Texas A&M University

**Introduced By:** Clark A. Caperton  
Senator Chris Esparza, Off-Campus  
Senator Scott Bowen, Engineering  
Jacob Robinson  
Marshall Bowen

**Sponsored By:** Legislative Affairs Chair Katherine A. Nydegger, Business

**Action Taken** Passed  
May 2<sup>nd</sup>

**Certified By:** Tanner Wilson  
Tanner Wilson  
Speaker of the Senate

**Duly Approved:** Jeff Pickering  
Jeff Pickering  
Student Body President

### Higher Education Budget Cut Opposition Bill Special Designation: Renewed Bill

*"A bill protesting the level of funding decreases for Texas A&M University in the Proposed 2011-2013 Texas Budget."*

- Whereas(1):** The Texas Legislative Budget Board charged Texas A&M University to cut five (5) percent, approximately \$28 million, of their budget for fiscal year 2010 and 2011 which has resulted in the elimination of numerous teaching positions and course sections; and,
- Whereas(2):** The Texas Legislative Budget Board has since requested that Texas A&M University prepare to cut an additional ten (10) percent from their budgets for fiscal year 2012 and 2013; and,
- Whereas(3):** Texas A&M University will be significantly affected by these cuts; and,



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Further Certified By: *Tanner Wilson*

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**Whereas(4):** State appropriations account for a significant portion of funding for academic programs and teaching at the university; and,

**Whereas(5):** Maintaining the quality of education at Texas A&M University is critical for the future prosperity of the State of Texas and the United States.

**Therefore**

**Let it be**

**Enacted(1):** That it is the opinion of the students of Texas A&M University that the choice of budget cuts enacted by the state engenders a pointed disregard for the future prosperity and education of students at Texas A&M University and the State of Texas; and,

**Therefore**

**Let it be**

**Enacted(2):** That the students of Texas A&M University are firmly object to the substantial decreases in the Texas budget for higher education; and,

**Therefore**

**Let it be**

**Enacted(3):** That the students of Texas A&M University request that members of the 82<sup>nd</sup> Session of the Texas Legislature vote “against” any budgetary measure proposed which entails a full ten (10) percent budgetary reduction for fiscal year 2012 and 2013; and,