



To the members of the Texas Legislature:

It has come to my attention that Texas' Tuition Equalization Grant (TEG) program is in jeopardy of a major reduction in appropriations. I sit on the Board of Regents of Texas Chiropractic College, and I know how much these students, as well as thousands of others, depend on TEG assistance. Of course, I fully realize why additional funding cannot be appropriated to this or other similar programs this biennium. However, I believe that Texas must do everything in its power to assure that higher education is available for all of its citizens, not just those who are fortunate enough to be able to afford it.

The importance of higher education for the future of this state cannot be underestimated. Therefore, I respectfully request that the Tuition Equalization Grant program remain funded at its current level. Texas cannot afford to do otherwise.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Bob Mitchell".

Bob Mitchell
President
Bay Area Houston Economic Partnership