

**The Graduate Student Assembly
The University of Texas at Austin**

Resolution:

Introduced By: Legislative Committee

Action Taken: _____

Certified: _____

**Regarding the Support of the Invest in Texas Platform for the 2013 Texas Legislative
Session**

Summary: A resolution in support of Senate Bill 15

WHEREAS The University of Texas at Austin is part of the University of Texas System which is overseen by the University of Texas System Board of Regents; and,

WHEREAS The primary duties of the regents are to advise and approve institutional policy and not to manage each institution on an individual basis; and,

WHEREAS Senate Bill 15 filed by Senator Kel Seliger during the 83rd Texas Legislative Session seeks to limit the duties and responsibilities that are not specifically granted to university systems to fall under the jurisdiction of the individual institution; and,

WHEREAS Senate Bill 15 would allow the University of Texas at Austin increased autonomy for operations; now, therefore let it

BE IT RESOLVED That Graduate Student Assembly supports the attached Senate Bill 15; and,

BE IT RESOLVED All appropriate and necessary university personnel, agencies, and student organizations shall work to promote this platform during the legislative session; and,

BE IT RESOLVED That official copies of this resolution be delivered to Senator Kel Seliger, Senate Higher Education Committee Chairman, Senator Kirk Watson, Senate Higher Education Vice-Chairman, Senator Brian Birdwell, Senator Robert Duncan, Senator Dan Patrick, Senator Royce West, Senator Judith Zaffirini, Representative Dan Branch, House Higher Education Chairman, Representative Diane Patrick, House Higher Education Vice Chairwoman, Representative Roberto Alonzo, Representative Travis Clardy, Representative Drew Darby, Representative Donna Howard, Representative Armando Martinez, Representative Jim Murphy, Representative John Raney.