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TO: Financial Aid Advisory Committee
Directors of Financial Aid at Texas Institutions of Higher Education

DATE: August 9, 2018

SUBJECT: THECB Student Debt Letter – Second Webinar

Save the Date: August 28, 2018, 10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. CST

The Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board (THECB) has scheduled a webinar with uAspire and Sam Houston State University to assist institutions with implementation of Senate Bill (SB) 887. This webinar will provide guidance on how to effectively communicate information presented in student debt letters required by SB 887.

Staff from uAspire will present [research](#) co-conducted with the New America Foundation examining the accessibility and the transparency of financial aid award letters. *Even though the SB 887 is not an award letter, we believe the findings in this New America and uAspire report can lend important insights into how institutions can communicate debt information to students.* Sam Houston State University staff will share the process they developed to create a student-centered debt letter.

If you have any questions in anticipation of this event, please send them *before* or *during* the webinar to holly.kosiewicz@theccb.state.tx.us. Our speakers will address your questions in the Q&A after their presentation. This webinar will be webcast; the video link will be available on THECB's home page www.theccb.state.tx.us the morning of August 28.