Tuition Freeze enacted by the 2023 Texas Legislative (88th regular session)

- One outcome of the 2023 Texas Legislature (88th regular session) is a requirement that an increase of undergraduate, Texas resident tuition and fees is prohibited for both the 2023-24 and the 2024-25 academic years due to increased state appropriations.
- The legislation is intended to offset tuition increases that would affect students currently on a *Variable Rate Tuition Plan*, and incoming students that select a *Variable Rate Plan* over the next two years.
- For individuals on a *Variable Rate Tuition Plan*, or those choosing a *Variable Rate* as new students, their selected rate for the next two years will remain the same. Those students will still be on a *Variable Rate Tuition Plan*, which could result in a rate change after this newly established "freeze" for two years.
- Students enrolling at Texas A&M for the first time continue to have a grace period to
 adjust their tuition cohort rate to either a Locked Rate or Variable Rate Tuition Plan.
 Students and their families must decide on this adjustment by August 25, 2023.
- The enacted legislation does not change the permanency of the four-year rate plan selected by students and their families at enrollment. Thus, students already enrolled at Texas A&M before Fall 2023 may not change their selections.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS:

I selected a Locked Rate Tuition Plan last fall (2022), and now I want to switch to a Variable Rate Tuition Plan, given the legislature's recent "freeze" mandate. Can I switch?

Your preexisting tuition plan is locked in at the time of your first payment, but you have until the 5th day of class to change it. If you keep your Locked Tuition Rate Plan past the 5th day of class after four years, your future tuition payments will automatically switch to a Variable Rate. Students may not adjust their choice of *Locked or Variable Rate Tuition* during their four years.

Why can't I switch?

The legislation is intended to offset tuition increases that would affect students currently on a *Variable Rate Tuition* and incoming students that select a *Variable Rate Plan* over the next two years. It does not, however, provide for resources that affect students on *Locked Tuition Rate Plans*. It's important to note that students who select a *Variable Rate Tuition Plan* upon enrollment will be locked into that specific rate plan for four years.

I'm on a Variable Rate Plan. After these two academic years (2023-2024 and 2024-2025), can I change to a Locked Rate Plan?

No. You are locked into that for four years once you select your desired tuition rate plan. After four years, your plan will be a *Variable Tuition Rate*, regardless of your original selection.