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To Whom It May Concern,

My name is Dr. Caleb Ashmore. I am a physical therapist in the state of Texas, a doctor of PT and have advanced training in orthopedics and manual therapy. I have obtained these credentials by undertaking years of residency and fellowship training. I currently live in the city of Houston, and have practiced for nearly 4 years in outpatient orthopedics. The reason that I am contacting you today is to inform you of my opposition of the consolidation of our professional organization, the TBPTE into the TLDR. I propose that the TBPTE should be retained as an independent state agency for the next 12 years. The main reasons that consolidating the TBPTE into the TLDR is a bad idea is that the TLDR commissioners lack the medical knowledge and background to be able to regulate hands on patient care by physical therapists. The TLDR will also not be as cost effective as the TBPTE currently is, and will likely lead to more spending and a decreased quality of patient care due to the TLDR not having adequate funds or manpower to possibly oversee as many professions as it is currently proposed that they regulate. Thank you very much for your time and consideration.

Best regards,

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