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Agency: DEPARTMENT STATE HEALTH SERVICES DSHS

First Name: Brenda

Last Name: Holland

Title: RRT

Organization you are affiliated with: Texas Society for Respiratory Care

City: Carthage

State: Texas

Your Comments About the Staff Report, Including Recommendations Supported or Opposed: I am a Registered Respiratory Therapist and graduated from Tyler Jr. College in 1995. Since that time I have worked at rehab facilities as well as several hospitals. My duties and responsibilities vary but daily involve patients in life or death situations. To remove the licensing requirement from my profession would be a grave mistake. I often see individuals in health care who are incompetent. Many times my colleagues as well as myself are the stop-gap for patients. Please reconsider licensing requirements for the state of Texas. I live here, my family lives here-your families live here. Do you really want your children or parents cared for by individuals who can walk in off the street and be hired by hospitals. The yearly continuing education requirements would also be discontinued, I suppose, due to the fact a license to practice respiratory therapy would not be needed. I have held a license in Louisiana and will practice there if need be. My concern for Texas is the people of Texas.

Any Alternative or New Recommendations on This Agency: Continue the licensing of Respiratory Therapist as is.

My Comment Will Be Made Public: I agree