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Your Comments About the Staff Report, Including Recommendations Supported or

Opposed: I am writing to state my opposition to Recommendation 3.2 which seeks to transfer the Texas State Board of Examiners to the Texas Department of Licensing and Regulation and reconstitute this independent board as an advisory committee. An independent regulatory board comprised of experienced licensed professionals and public members should exist separately due the nature of LPC and LMFT roles and impact on the health and well-being of their

clients. LPC/LMFT providers are considered healthcare workers and required

to complete advanced degrees, complete practicum hours, internships, and report potential abuse to clients - all areas not required by other professions recommended for transfer to the Texas Department of Licensing and Regulation.

Any Alternative or New Recommendations on This Agency: Recommendation 3.2 should not include LPCs and LMFTs professionals.

My Comment Will Be Made Public: I agree