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Agency: TEXAS DEPARTMENT LICENSING AND REGULATION

First Name: Henry

Last Name: Barber

Title: Owner

Organization you are affiliated with: North East Texas Defensive Driving

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State: Texas

Your Comments About the Staff Report, Including Recommendations Supported or Opposed:

I have been a defensive driving school owner and instructor for over 23 years in the East Texas area. I have trained many school teachers, police officers, and retired individuals in how to become a defensive driving instructor. They use these skills to supplement their income and make a positive difference in the community.

I am opposed to several of the staff report recommendations.

4.5 Eliminate the driving safety instructor license & 4.12 Eliminate costly course approval fees and streamline TDLR's process for approving driver training curricula--By eliminating these requirements we are essentially undermining the years of credibility we have established with municipal and justice of the peace courts across Texas. The standards that we hold our instructors and our course material is some of the best in the nation.

4.6 Eliminate the minimum fees driving safety course providers must charge consumers--This fee is reasonable and allows classroom providers to provide services to those who are unable to take an internet course.

4.14 Direct TDLR to list on its website only licensed instructors and providers, not the specific courses they offer.--The current system is easy for consumers to follow and does not need to be changed. Listing only instructor names does not make sense. Consumers do business with companies.

Any Alternative or New Recommendations on This Agency:

I am in agreement with the following:

4.1 Eliminate the separate drug and alcohol driving awareness course and associated licenses. 4.2 Eliminate the separate specialized driving safety course and associated licenses 4.3 Eliminate the separate driving safety course for drivers under 25 years old

My Comment Will Be Made Public: I agree