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From: sunset@sunset.texas.gov <sunset@sunset.texas.gov> On Behalf Of Texas Sunset Commission
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Agency: TEXAS STATE BOARD PLUMBING EXAMINERS

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Your Comments About the Staff Report, Including Recommendations Supported or Opposed: I disagree with the Commission's stance on the TSBPE. I feel that properly trained and licensed plumbers are needed to maintain sustainable plumbing systems due to the risk, to public health and safety. The competent plumber is charged with ensuring the plumbing system is safely installed while mitigating the risks that include water contamination, cross connections, scalding and thermal shock. Texas's increasing population can amplify these risks and the need for more frequent maintenance and repair. As such, the licensed plumber's role as the most important front line health and environmental worker becomes more critical. Allowing for less education/training makes less qualified plumbers and more health risk.

Any Alternative or New Recommendations on This Agency: Modernize the Plumbing Board by administering the written portion of the Journeyman's test online.

My Comment Will Be Made Public: I agree