From: Sunset Advisory Commission

To: <u>Trisha Linebarger</u>

Subject: FW: Public Input Form for Agencies Under Review (Public/After Publication)

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From: sunset@sunset.texas.gov < sunset@sunset.texas.gov > On Behalf Of Texas Sunset Commission

Sent: Tuesday, July 28, 2020 9:51 AM

To: Sunset Advisory Commission <Sunset@sunset.texas.gov>

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Agency: TEXAS DEPARTMENT LICENSING AND REGULATION

First Name: Diana

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State: Texas

Your Comments About the Staff Report, Including Recommendations Supported or

Opposed: After working with people and animal welfare agencies, I strongly recommend not to roll back protection for dogs. Infact, based on evidence, experience, and number of hours of hard work put into this issue, I believe that it only makes sense to increase protection for dogs in puppy mills.

Any Alternative or New Recommendations on This Agency:

It is almost an impossible task to determine the number of animals a breeder sells. Though I do not believe in increased government regulations in general, on this particular issue, I can tell you, that the requirements of breeders should be more stringent and strongly enforced such as lowering the number of dogs that breeders should have to report. Please take a look at the animal shelters and see how many of the repercussions end up there at the cost of both our money, time, and energy.

I beg you to make this right.

Sincerely,

Dr. Diana Blinn

My Comment Will Be Made Public: I agree