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Agency: TEXAS DEPARTMENT LICENSING AND REGULATION

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Your Comments About the Staff Report, Including Recommendations Supported or

Opposed:

As a live classroom defensive driving instructor since 2001, I have seen the importance of our businesses remaining a vital part of society because online instruction has diminished the quality of residential and commercial drivers on the roads.

I am opposed to eliminating our businesses from Texas Department of Licensing . As I retire from another job, I was looking forward to finally build my defensive driving sole proprietor business .

I have mostly clients who are 60 and over in my live classroom whenever I have a class.

I also would like to see more visibility given to live classroom instruction. There are individuals who have cognitive skill deficiencies and cannot master online learning. Live classroom is also a backup for online learning If live classroom is eliminated, what choices would driver's have ?

Traffic citations have caused people to lose their jobs if not dismissed. In the present economic climate, I will only have one client this yes.

I have a website with an online course but still I have the Senior citizens that need live classroom. People are living longer and need a method in place for those who are computer challenged.

Any Alternative or New Recommendations on This Agency:

My recommendations are that live classroom defensive driving classes continue to be offered but given more exposure so that residents and commercial drivers can find the location of those classrooms. Also the delivery time of renewal licenses need to be done via email instead of postal mail to speed up that process. Drivers over 70 years old should be mandated to take a live classroom defensive driving class every two years for safety purposes and elimination of fatalities on the road.

Young adult drivers under 25 should continue to be mandated to take a live classroom defensive driving course to eliminate fatalities on the road.

Commercial drivers should be given the right to take a live classroom defensive driving course instead of given a traffic citation.

Small defensive driving companies that teach live classroom should be given the opportunity to instruct commercial driving safety courses for large companies.

My Comment Will Be Made Public: I agree