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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:

Referencing Issue 3: Barber and Cosmetology are two different cultures and the techniques are different as well. Barbers focus on hair cutting whereas cosmetologists focus on beautifying. The hours spent on particular subjects are different. That is like saying you are going to combine esthetics or nail tech with cosmetology. Those students want to focus on something in particular like skincare or nail care, not hair styling.

Also, in reference to Issue 3. It was noted about removing the wig license and instructor's license. The instructors' license plays a huge role in educating future barbers and stylists. Removing the license takes away the quality of the industry. It allows a potential instructor to develop proficiencies, understand lesson planning, learn how to maintain and manage a classroom, help students with learning disabilities, and allows for understanding diversity in the classroom. Someone who has not been in the salon long enough to gain diversified experience could easily be given a class to teach and the quality of our industry would plummet allowing the removal of the licenses.

Any Alternative or New Recommendations on This Agency: Do not merge barber and cosmetology and leave the instructor licenses in place.

My Comment Will Be Made Public: I agree