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Agency: TEXAS DEPARTMENT LICENSING AND REGULATION

First Name: Rhonda

Last Name: Bryant

Title: Class A Barber/ Barber Instructor/Barbershop Owner

Organization you are affiliated with: Barber

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City: Corsicana

State: Texas

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

In regards to Issue 3

It is my understanding, after speaking with a Sunset staff member, that the combination of Barbering and Cosmetology would keep both operating licenses separated and only combine those speciality licenses in which both share the same criteria. If that is truly the case then I do not have an issue with this. But if by some stroke of the pen the decision will allow the barbering industry to be absorbed by the Cosmetology industry, or vice versa... I strongly disagree. Although we share similarities, we are not the same and should always be treated as separate industries and have separate licenses The use of the straight razor sets us apart, let's keep it that way.

The abolishment of the instructors license...

I am strongly opposed to. Yes, practical, technical skills can be demonstrated by any licensed barber. Educators do not learn how to cut hair we learn how to educate. Removing this license would be a disservice to our current educators and to future individuals wanting to be a part of our industry.

Any Alternative or New Recommendations on This Agency: I had nothing to add as of right now.

My Comment Will Be Made Public: I agree