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**From:** Byrd, Sheri  
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To whom it may concern,

Please retain TBPTE as an independent agency. TBPTE is currently an efficiently run agency with the health care experience and medical knowledge to make sound decisions regarding our profession. Physical therapy is currently a doctoral profession. Consolidating the TBPTE into the TDLR, with members that do not have medical/physical therapy knowledge or similar educational backgrounds, may result in reduction of safety standards for our patients and/or ineffective care. Thank you in advance for your time and continued support.

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