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To the Members of Sunset Commission:

I am a physical therapist and have been practicing for more than 17 years. I have had a private practice in Dallas, TX for the past 7 years. All of our staff have doctoral degrees in physical therapy and most are either board certified in orthopedics and/or fellowship trained. I'm writing you to oppose the consolidation of the TBPTE into the TDLR and retain the TBPTE as an independent state agency. It's my understanding this was the recommendation of the Sunset staff, so I'm not sure why there is a push for consolidation under the TDLR.

In the Staff Report on the Health Licenses Consolidation Project one of the reasons for consolidation was given based off of a case study on merging manufacturing facilities that operated in similar ways in order to reduce cost. This example has nothing to do with consolidating completely different professions and combining the oversight of them with mechanical/technical industries.

This would be like consolidating a restaurant business with a packaging company. The companies are completely unrelated and have different purposes and operational functions. I can understand why the TDLR would regulate mechanical/technical industries because they are pretty straight forward and deal with essentially trade school professions where the work being done is task specific and predictable. Physical therapy practices and other healthcare professions are quite the opposite. We work hands on with the public to deal with their complex medical issues, and because of this direct relationship public safety is of utmost importance. More specific oversight is required for a doctoral profession handling patients with complex health issues as opposed to a trade school profession with simple and task oriented operations.

I ask that you retain the TBPTE as an independent state agency in the interest of the public we are protecting. Thank you for your consideration.

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