From: FcarrionSent: Thursday, March 29, 2018 1:04 PMTo: Sunset Advisory CommissionSubject: Re: Sunset Review of the Behavioral Health Boards

Hello Mr. Levine,

Thank you for this information. I reviewed this long list of the agencies and entities that are under sunset rules and i noticed that all of mental health boards, counselors, social workers, marriage and family and psychology had brief periods between reviews and the following sunset reviews. Other board entities had as many as 15 years between reviews. Why is that? Is there some underlying agenda generated by some unidentified group or some basic philosophical underpinning to this sunset review regimen that makes mental health professional more suspect and requiring more frequent scrutiny?

I am not a conspiracy theory guy but it does make you wonder. All I can say that I am witnessing the demise of psychology as a whole in the healthcare industry and in Texas specifically. I can only ask is a state of disbelief, "What is going on?"

Thank you.

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March 28, 2018

Dear Recipient:

The Sunset Staff Report on the Texas State Board of Examiners of Marriage and Family Therapists, Texas State Board of Examiners of Professional Counselors, Texas State Board of Social Worker Examiners, and Texas State Board of Examiners of Psychologists, as submitted to the Sunset Advisory Commission, is available for your review on our website, <u>www.sunset.texas.gov</u>. To request a hard copy of this report, contact our office. The Sunset Commission has scheduled a public hearing on this report for April 25 and 26, 2018. At that time public testimony will be taken. An agenda specifying the meeting time, location, and the order of agencies scheduled for discussion will be available on our website as soon as the meeting has been posted. You may follow announcements by the Sunset Commission on social media through information posted on our website.

If you would like to comment on this report, the commission would appreciate hearing from you. Your feedback would be most helpful if it includes the following elements:

Your position in support or opposition for each recommendation in the staff report

- A clear, brief statement of suggested changes, if any, to these recommendations
- A clear, concise summary of any new issues or recommendations not included in the report that you would like the Sunset Commission to consider

If you submit your response by Wednesday, April 11, we can provide this information to the Sunset Commission members before the public hearing. Comments received in response to a staff report are considered public records, and will be posted on the Sunset website and released to the public upon request.

Thank you for your assistance with the Sunset review process.

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