From: Sunset Advisory Commission

To: <u>Janet Wood</u>

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Agency: TEXAS STATE BOARD SOCIAL WORKER EXAMINERS

First Name: Rebecca

Last Name: Castro

Title:

Organization you are affiliated with:

Email:

City: Galveston

State: Texas

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

- I support the creation of the BHEC through the transformation of the psychology board
- I oppose the classification of professional appointees on the BHEC as ex officio members All members, especially licensed professionals who best understand the practice of our specific disciplines, should be voting members
- The TSBSWE is not operating efficiently or effectively under HHSC I

have a colleague who has been waiting over 9 months for a licensing approval.

I have also been waiting months to even see the status of a disciplinary action I reported to the Board; I was told, when I called, that "it will probably never make it to the website." That is unacceptable.

- Each board must remain independent under the BHEC
- The TSBSWE must have more money to operate effectively The TSBSWE's

budget is less than half of the fees brought in. We must be given access to more of those funds, especially because our license renewal fees just increased again!

Any Alternative or New Recommendations on This Agency:

• The BHEC should be made up of nine voting members – one public and one professional from each of the four boards, with a final public member appointed by the Governor Hire another support staff person for the TSBSWE to help process license renewals and other requests

My Comment Will Be Made Public: I agree