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Good morning,

I am a Physical Therapy student at Texas Woman's University in Houston. I have lived in Houston, TX my whole life and I plan on finishing my Doctor of Physical Therapy degree in 2019. I am very concerned and opposed to the idea of having the Texas Board of PT Examiners consolidated into the TDLR. The TDLR commissioners would not have the experience working with patients in the health care field or the medical knowledge required to make decisions about patient care. These decisions should be made by experienced Physical Therapists. Also, the TBPTE is a very cost efficient and well run state agency. I do not see why consolidating it would be beneficial to the state, and I especially do not see how it would be beneficial to patients.

Thank you for your time,
Lauren Coats