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Agency: DEPARTMENT STATE HEALTH SERVICES DSHS

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City: Houston

State: Texas

Your Comments About the Staff Report, Including Recommendations Supported or Opposed: I oppose the recommendation that the licensure of dyslexia therapists be allowed to sunset. Please see below.

Any Alternative or New Recommendations on This Agency:

Please maintain state licensure for dyslexia therapists. Parents are upset when their child is first diagnosed with dyslexia and are confused about which interventions are effective. This licensure provides them with the assurance that their child is working with a provider who has the education and experience to remediate dyslexia.

Prior to licensure, I worked with children, whose parents had spent thousands of dollars and wasted valuable time, believing the claims of a "tutoring service" that their providers were able to help their children overcome dyslexia. Sadly, many of those kids never made it to a truly qualified provider.

Texas has been a model for other states in the field of dyslexia remediation. Please continue the momentum.

My Comment Will Be Made Public: I agree