From: <u>Sunset Advisory Commission</u>

To: <u>Cecelia Hartley</u>

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Agency: HEALTH LICENSING CONSOLIDATION PROJECT

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

I am strongly opposed to the Health licensing consolidation Act. The physical therapy profession is a separate and distinct profession that is being trained at the Doctorate level of education. We independently examine, diagnose, and treat musculoskeletal dysfunctions. WE NEED TO MAINTAIN AND KEEP OUR EXISTING TEXAS STATE BOARD OF PHYSICAL THERAPY AND OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY EXAMINERS AND NOT BE COMBINED WITH THE OTHER HEALTH AND NON-HEALTH OCCUPATION BOARD. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Dr. Sam Dalal, PT

Any Alternative or New Recommendations on This Agency: The physical therapy profession must remain with the Texas State Board of Physical Therapy Examiners.

My Comment Will Be Made Public: I agree