From: Sunset Advisory Commission

To: <u>Janet Wood</u>

Subject: FW: Public Input Form for Agencies Under Review (Public/After Publication)

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To: Cecelia Hartley

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From: sundrupal@capitol.local [mailto:sundrupal@capitol.local]

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Agency: TEXAS STATE BOARD SOCIAL WORKER EXAMINERS

First Name: Scott

Last Name: Davis

Title:

Organization you are affiliated with:

Email:

City: Austin

State: Texas

Your Comments About the Staff Report, Including Recommendations Supported or

Opposed: Senator,

My name is Scott Davis and I am a Licensed Clinical Social Worker. I am strongly opposed to being regulated by the TDLR for two reasons.

- 1. Licensed Social Workers at the Veterans Administration are the mental health professionals that OUR veterans are most likely to work with. To reduce the quality of the group monitoring could directly affect the quality of care that veterans receive.
- 2. I think it is unwise for the same board that monitors cosmetologists, barbers, and Used Auto Part Recyclers to monitor mental health professionals.

Only a board that is VERY familiar with mental health would be acceptable.

3. Please contact me if you have any questions or concerns.

Scott Davis

Any Alternative or New Recommendations on This Agency: Create a board of mental health professionals that will be equipped and funded to best help the citizens of Texas. Consolidating the boards will enable cost savings, but maintain high quality care for Texas citizens

My Comment Will Be Made Public: I agree