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**To:** [Trisha Linebarger](#)  
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From: sunset@sunset.texas.gov On Behalf Of Texas Sunset Commission  
Sent: Tuesday, June 23, 2020 9:09:18 AM (UTC-06:00) Central Time (US & Canada)  
To: Sunset Advisory Commission  
Subject: Public Input Form for Agencies Under Review (Public/After Publication)

Agency: TEXAS DEPARTMENT LICENSING AND REGULATION

First Name: Lawrin

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Title: Ms.

Organization you are affiliated with: Psychotherapy Services

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City: Fort Worthy

State: Texas

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

Please be advised that the use of LICENSED POLYGRAPH EXAMINERS is essential for the supervision of SEXUAL OFFENDERS in the Community. The Courts, the Criminal Justice Department - Probation, Parole, the United States Federal Probation Department ALL REQUIRE sexual offenders in the Community to submit to polygraph exams periodically throughout the year to monitor reoffending sexual behaviors and any engagement in high risk behaviors. If there is no licensing requirement for Polygraph Examiners then the Safety of the Community is definitely at significant risk. Sexual Offenders are the most manipulative and scheming criminals living in our Community and we, Courts, Supervision Officers, Parole Officers, CPS, Treatment Providers, depend heavily on polygraph information to ascertain the risk that they present.

Untrained individuals who are able to administer polygraph exams without training, continuing education requirements and oversight could unknowingly perpetuate continued sexual abuse within our families and our Community.

I would strongly encourage that the Polygraph Examiners be excluded from the Sunset Committee Overview as this is a profession that needs to be HIGHLY REGULATED AND PROFESSIONALLY LICENSED for the Safety Of the Community and the protection of our children.

Any Alternative or New Recommendations on This Agency: Continue the legal requirement for a Polygraph Examiner to be LICENSED in the State of Texas.

My Comment Will Be Made Public: I agree

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**From:** Psychotherapy Services  
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If I can provide any additional information, please contact me at 817-338-4471 .

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