From: Sunset Advisory Commission

To: <u>Janet Wood</u>

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Sent: Friday, June 17, 2016 4:27 PM To: Sunset Advisory Commission

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

Agency: TEXAS BOARD PHYSICAL THERAPY EXAMINERS

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

My name is Elise Decker, I am a second year Physical Therapy student, and I am representing only myself as a future physical therapy professional.

I support the Sunset Commission's recommendation that the Texas Board of Physical Therapy Examiners join the national Licensure Compact. This practice flexibility embraces the best patient care possible by allowing physical therapy providers to move more readily across state lines to treat patients; this should be the ultimate goal of all health providers, and it is time Texas embraced this step wholeheartedly.

I oppose the recommendation to strip the Continuing Competence Approval Program (CCAP) program administration away from the TPTA and the Texas Board of Physical Therapy Examiners (TBPTE), and I also oppose the recommendation to remove the law that would prohibit the TBPTE from engaging in any future such arrangements. This cooperation between the TBPTE & the TPTA utilizes a double-blind professional review process to ensure the public is protected and provided for with the highest standards of patient care & ethical procedures.

Any Alternative or New Recommendations on This Agency: I have no alternative or new recommendations at this time.

My Comment Will Be Made Public: I agree