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Agency: DEPARTMENT FAMILY AND PROTECTIVE SERVICES DFPS

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Your Comments About the Staff Report, Including Recommendations Supported or

Opposed: Recommendation 6.2 is a concern upon consideration of transferring NFP under DFPS, solely in regards to the historical lack of prevention funds and often times budget cuts for prevention programs would put NFP at risk for loss of funds under HHSC general revenue and result in loss of services to thousands of Texas families who are extremely vulnerable to poor outcomes. In addition, the cost to add additional administrative oversight under DFPS is an unnecessary expenditure of tax payers dollars. Currently, the program is fully implemented across Texas Counties with nominal HHSC administration due to the infrastructure and support provided by the NSO to implementing agencies with as many as 6 years of successful service delivery to date.

Any Alternative or New Recommendations on This Agency:

Allow HHSC to retain oversight of NFP and allow them to make a formal annual report to DFPS to meet the departments prevention strategies.

Partnering programs as intervention and prevention would take longer than the projected timeline to integrate NFP under DFPS in 2015 per the Sunset Commission's report.

My Comment Will Be Made Public: I agree