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Dear Sunset Commission,

Thank you for allowing physical therapists to comment on the upcoming review. I have been working as a PT in outpatient orthopedics for 17 years. As a medical professional it is imperative that we have a licensing board that is composed of similar professionals. Our PT and OT board is just that. To place our profession into this "health professions" portion of TDLR and have advisory panels with those that are not familiar with the intricacies of my profession is a poor idea. No one without intricate knowledge of my profession should be put in a position of power that can shape the way I practice for years to come. Physical therapists have had a similar battle with chiropractors in that chiropractors for years have been trying to limit PT's practice and be in a position to "advise" our profession. I do not have any grudge against the chiropractic profession, but I am sure that if a non-chiropractic group such as PT's or Air Conditioning repairmen were put in a position to "advise" their profession similar concerns to mine would be raised.

In closing, I would never advise my plumber on how to re-pipe my house, nor would I welcome that same plumber to advise me on how to rehab a patient coming off an ACL surgery. By lumping my profession into this "health professions" advisory board model, it would be a situation in which good people, despite their good intentions, could do harm to the profession I love (and that has provided for me and my family for years) due to their unfamiliarity of the nuances and intricacies that define my profession. Please let our PT and OT boards stand as they are, independent of non PT/OT influence. Thank you for reading my e-mail.

Best Regards,

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