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To: Sunset Advisory Commission

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Agency: TEXAS MEDICAL BOARD

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Your Comments About the Staff Report, Including Recommendations Supported or

Opposed: I would again like to thank the Sunset Commission for it's hard work on behalf of all Texans. I appreciate the chance to engage government and testify on behalf of myself and my colleagues about Physician Assistant Licensure. While I was encouraged to hear that PA licenses are being processed in due time, I was also confused. I encountered stories of extensive delays almost to a person when interviewing my class, recent graduates in the 3 classes before me, and graduating classes of the other 7 programs in Texas. Senator Taylor asked if we were being treated as second class citizens. When I spoke to a TMB staffer this summer, I was told just that. While I appreciate the changes that are going on and the challenges the TMB faces, I am afraid that without a statute in place we will be doomed to repeat the mistakes of this summer. I would again ask the commission to enact a statute requiring a 51 day average on processing of PA licensure applications.

Any Alternative or New Recommendations on This Agency: Statute requiring 51 day average processing time for PA licensure.

My Comment Will Be Made Public: I agree