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From: sunset@sunset.texas.gov On Behalf Of Texas Sunset Commission  
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To: Sunset Advisory Commission  
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Agency: TEXAS DEPARTMENT LICENSING AND REGULATION

First Name: Darla

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

Stating that a Cosmetologist doesn't need a licensed instructor is like saying public school students don't need a certified teacher. Or would you want a surgeon who wasn't taught by a licensed doctor?

Having a cosmetology license doesn't mean that I have the skills to teach.

Basically that the training as a Cosmetologist does not train you to be a teacher..you need both skill sets to teach...writing curriculum and lessons plans...being able to reach all learning learning types takes education and not every cosmetologist can teach. I myself wanted to be a teacher at a young age but I have found that in the 15 years that I have been teaching future cosmetologist, it has alot of challenges (that keep me motivated to be a better teacher) but is so rewarding. It is a great feeling watching my former students excel in a career that they didn't realize all the gifts it provides. To watch a struggling single mother get a license and put her heart and soul in her career to be able to not only provide the basic necessities but to pay for a home, vehicle and college tuition on her own.

Any Alternative or New Recommendations on This Agency: Put together a committee of Cosmetology Instructors and Barber instructors to collaborate what would be helpful in making TDLR more efficient for our licensing. The barber has been a staple for all peoples since the Egyptian age. They have a skill set that is revered and upheld for hundreds of years. Not every barber can be a colorist and not every cosmetologist can shave. Please don't take anymore history away.

My Comment Will Be Made Public: I agree