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To: Sunset Advisory Commission
Subject: Public Input Form for Agencies Under Review (Public/After Publication)

Agency: TEXAS STATE BOARD EXAMINERS PROFESSIONAL COUNSELORS

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State: Texas

Your Comments About the Staff Report, Including Recommendations Supported or Opposed: I am against a move to TDLR. It is in the best interest of the public to keep the boards for LPC's, LMFT's and LCSW's independent. The Legislature created the Texas State Board of Examiners of Marriage and Family Therapists, Texas State Board of Examiners of Professional Counselors, and Texas State Board of Social Worker Examiners as independent boards charged with protecting persons receiving behavioral health services. While changes need to be made, a move to TDLR is not the answer.

Any Alternative or New Recommendations on This Agency:

I recommend the Texas State Board of Examiners of Marriage and Family Therapists, Texas State Board of Examiners of Professional Counselors, and Texas State Board of Social Worker Examiners remain as independent boards as that is in the public's best interest. These boards need to be changed, but not via a move to TDLR.

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My Comment Will Be Made Public: I agree