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**To:** [Janet Wood](#)  
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From: sundrupal@capitol.local [<mailto:sundrupal@capitol.local>]  
Sent: Wednesday, November 16, 2016 5:19 PM  
To: Sunset Advisory Commission  
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Agency: TEXAS STATE BOARD EXAMINERS PROFESSIONAL COUNSELORS

First Name: Rachel

Last Name: Gardner

Title: LPC-Intern

Organization you are affiliated with: New Life Counseling Center

Email:

City: Round Rock

State: Texas

Your Comments About the Staff Report, Including Recommendations Supported or Opposed: I'm opposed to de-regulating LPC Licensure Board down to an Advisory Board. Deregulation seems like it would invite less accountability and oversight, less protection for clients, and a less professional atmosphere. Texas already ranks way at the bottom of the 50 states in Mental Health services, and I can't see how deregulating the LPC Licensure would service to improve counseling services to the public.

Any Alternative or New Recommendations on This Agency: N/A

My Comment Will Be Made Public: I agree