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Dear Sunset Commission,

I have reviewed the Sunset Advisory Commission Staff Report regarding the Health Licensing Consolidation Project. I continue to be in opposition to the consolidation of the TBPTE into the TDLR. These are two different agencies that should not be turned into one.

By keeping the TBPTE as an independent agency, it is guaranteed to have decision-makers that have requisite medical knowledge and healthcare experience to make appropriate decisions involving "hands on" patient care that Physical Therapists routinely deliver. From my 4 years' experience as a practicing PTA (and member of the TPTA and APTA,) the TBPTE is a cost efficient, operationally effective and well managed state agency. Consolidation of the TBPTE into the TDLR will lead to the erosion of my profession, minimizing this specialized field of healthcare services.

Please consider my plea to keep the TBPTE as an independent agency.

Thank You,

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