From: Sunset Advisory Commission

To: <u>Janet Wood</u>

Subject: FW: Public Input Form for Agencies Under Review (Public/After Publication)

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Agency: TEXAS STATE BOARD SOCIAL WORKER EXAMINERS

First Name: Katy

Last Name: Hewson

Title: LCSW

Organization you are affiliated with:

Email:

City: League City

State: Texas

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

- 1. I support the creation of the BHEC through the transformation of the psychology board
- 2. I oppose the classification of professional appointees on the BHEC as non-voting members
- 3. The TSBSWE is not operating efficiently & effectively under HHSC. It takes greater than 6 months for my supervisees to receive approval of supervision plans and greater than 3 months for LMSW's to receive approval to sit for the LCSW exam. I have called many times and been on hold longer than an hour or the message says no one is available during normal business hours.
- 4. Each board must remain independent under the BHEC.
- 5. The TSBSWE must have more money to operate effectively. The skeleton staff is not able to perform the duties needed of the thousands of social workers they serve. There is no way it can be effective and efficient without more money and more staff.

Any Alternative or New Recommendations on This Agency: The BHEC should be made up of nine VOTING members – one public and one professional from each of the four boards, with a final public member appointed by the Governor.

My Comment Will Be Made Public: I agree