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Agency: DEPARTMENT STATE HEALTH SERVICES DSHS

First Name: Jan

Last Name: Dumas

Title: Licensed Clinical Social Worker

Organization you are affiliated with: Texas State Board of Social Work Examiners

City: Cedar Hill

State: Texas

Your Comments About the Staff Report, Including Recommendations Supported or Opposed: I oppose the reorganization of licensing boards which de-professionalizes licensed mental health providers. Social Workers are recognized by all health insurance companies as professional providers of mental health services along with psychologists and serve the same vulnerable population. We must continue to be regulated by other licensed mental health professionals.

Any Alternative or New Recommendations on This Agency: If there must be a reorganization, then lump together mental health providers (social workers, psychologists, Licensed Professional Counselors, Marriage and Family Therapists) who all serve the same essential function for a vulnerable population in need.

My Comment Will Be Made Public: I agree