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Agency: DEPARTMENT STATE HEALTH SERVICES DSHS

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Your Comments About the Staff Report, Including Recommendations Supported or Opposed: The certification of Texas LPC's and other mental wellness counseling professionals should remain an entity separate and distinct from the Texas Department of Regulation and Licensing. Mental wellness counselors require training and examination distinctly different than most professions as it requires at least a Master's Degree and hundreds of clinical practicum hours.

Any Alternative or New Recommendations on This Agency: Allow the Texas Department of Health Services to review it's licensing procedures and requirements as compared to the recommendations of the American Counseling Association.

My Comment Will Be Made Public: I agree