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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From: sundrupal@capitol.local [mailto:sundrupal@capitol.local]

Sent: Monday, August 15, 2016 4:31 PM To: Sunset Advisory Commission

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

Agency: BOARD TRUSTEES EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT SYSTEM TEXAS ERS

First Name: Peggy A

Last Name: Jennings

Title: Ms.

Organization you are affiliated with: TDCJ Retiree

Email:

City: Kennewick

State: Washington

Your Comments About the Staff Report, Including Recommendations Supported or Opposed: As retirees, we need to be represented by a board member who is a retiree!

Any Alternative or New Recommendations on This Agency: We have seen absolutely no increases in annuities or other benefits ever and when we retire and move out of state, Texas penalizes us in terms of reductions to our benefits. When we were working, Texas double taxed us - adding our reimbursements of travel expenses into our income again and taxing it again as well as raising our tax brackets with the increase in income!

My Comment Will Be Made Public: I agree