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From: sunset@sunset.texas.gov <sunset@sunset.texas.gov> On Behalf Of Texas Sunset Commission  
Sent: Friday, November 30, 2018 6:20 PM  
To: Sunset Advisory Commission <Sunset@sunset.texas.gov>  
Subject: Public Input Form for Agencies Under Review (Public/After Publication)

Agency: TEXAS STATE BOARD PLUMBING EXAMINERS

First Name: Dennis

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Title: Journeyman Plummer

Organization you are affiliated with: Local 286

Email:

City: Kyle

State: Texas

Your Comments About the Staff Report, Including Recommendations Supported or Opposed: Throughout my years in the plumbing trade I have learned how to correctly install plumbing and that provides safe use. Incorrectly installed plumbing or Medical gas puts lives in danger. As a father of three young girls I worry that taking away the TSBPE is a bad thing. Please do not take away the TSBPE. The trade of Plumbing is not one that you can learn in a short training class or by a few hours working under the supervision of someone with experience, that is why the rules that have been developed over the years require substantial on-the-job training hours as well as classroom training. Texas and its citizens need TSBPE for practical hands on examination, not just a written or electronic exam for theory of understanding to prove that they understand how to install plumbing systems not just a written exam.

Any Alternative or New Recommendations on This Agency: There are 3 positions on the Board that are expired. Fill the positions with operators that have appropriate edification and give the board the chance to correct the inefficiencies that are currently noted and catch up on the backlog of exams. Too many examinations are waiting that could put the correct workforce with experience on jobs keeping lives safe.

My Comment Will Be Made Public: I agree