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Agency: TEXAS STATE BOARD EXAMINERS PROFESSIONAL COUNSELORS

First Name: Elizabeth

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State: Texas

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

To Whom It May Concern:

I strongly oppose the recommendation that mental health professional licensing should be under the Texas
Department of Licensing and Regulation.

Counseling is a very specific vocation, and should not be lumped together with other careers. We need to maintain
the Texas State Board of Examiners of Professional Counselors so that the specific needs of counselors and clients
will continue to be met. We need to ensure that our Code of Ethics remains intact. We need to ensure that clients are
cared for to the best of our ability. We need to ensure that the people who are making decisions about our profession
understand and value the need for mental health counseling.

Any Alternative or New Recommendations on This Agency: Please consider allowing the money from licensing
fees to support the Texas State Board of Examiners of Professional Counselors in order to help maintain the board.

My Comment Will Be Made Public: I agree