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From: Marcos Lopez
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Hello,

my name is Dr. Marcos Lopez, PT, DPT, OCS. I am a physical therapist, and I received my clinical Doctorate in 2012. I completed a post graduate orthopedic residency program at University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center in Dallas in 2014. I am a board certified clinical specialist in orthopedics. I currently reside in Dallas, Texas where I practice in an outpatient private practice setting. I have been practicing in Texas since February of 2013. I am writing you in regards to the recent reports from the sunset committee. I am in opposition of the consolidation of TBPTE to TDLR for various reasons. As I stated in my brief intro, I have over 8 years of education in preparation for my doctoral level degree and my board certification in orthopedics. I believe that our practice and our licensee board should be one of our peers, those that fully understand the nature of physical therapist care, those that understand patient cases, those that have experience with patient care in the capacity that a physical therapist does. After reviewing the report I also believe that the TBPTE is a cost efficient review board, that has done a great job over the last 24 years, and beyond in providing oversight to our practice. The consolidation will mean that there is a board that is now overseeing a significantly larger amount of careers and professionals versus one board, of our peers to oversee our practice. Maintaining the TBPTE as our license board will deliver better service to the consumer and ensure current best practice and patient safety in Texas. Thank you for your service and for considering this email. If you would like additional information my cell is listed in the signature below. I appreciate your time.

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