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To: Sunset Advisory Commission
Subject: Public Input Form for Agencies Under Review (Public/After Publication)

Agency: TEXAS STATE BOARD EXAMINERS PROFESSIONAL COUNSELORS

First Name: A

Last Name: Manskey

Title:

Organization you are affiliated with:

Email:

City: Mineral Wells

State: Texas

Your Comments About the Staff Report, Including Recommendations Supported or Opposed: I am grateful for the Commission's concern and actions regarding the problems of the State Board of Professional Counselors, administrative difficulties, and other behavioral health boards and agencies. I agree with TCA's recommendations and the need for professional representatives voting on the executive committee and boards. It was also gratifying to see changes like Issue 3, 3.7.

Any Alternative or New Recommendations on This Agency:

I am writing also to address Management Action, Issue 3, 3.8, LPC.

I am a Texas certified school counselor of eighteen years, with bachelor's degree and master's degree from Texas universities. I have participated in multiple (50+, probably more) counseling conferences and trainings, counseled children, teenagers, and parents, and conducted many psycho educational groups and trainings. I am currently completing a 16-semester hour post-graduate Certification in Mental Health Counseling from another Texas university, with a second supervised internship/practicum in a mental health setting where I hope to continue. I have completed one national exam successfully and have two more exams to complete. Once requirements are completed, I can apply for LPC-Intern (Licensed Professional Counselor) and am required 3,000 supervised hours before becoming licensed. While I firmly believe LPC's should be educated in their field and qualified, I am concerned about the length of LPC internship supervision hours required (especially for those with multiple years of experience). On top of the extensive hour requirements of internship, not to mention the administrative aspect, there is financial cost for the lengthy supervision.

Thank you for your time and consideration in addressing the burden of extensive supervision requirements.

My Comment Will Be Made Public: I agree