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Agency: STATE BOARD VETERINARY MEDICAL EXAMINERS

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Your Comments About the Staff Report, Including Recommendations Supported or Opposed: I agree with the Texas Veterinary Medical Association's position stance regarding the sunset review of the Texas State Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners, particularly where they address Diversion of controlled Substances by veterinarians. Requiring practicing veterinarians to report dispensing data to the Texas prescription monitoring program does not take into account the extreme diversity in the animal population veterinarians across our state service. Mandated reporting would be a very difficult thing to implement in practice and reporting with the degree of diversity in animal populations would make interpreting your data difficult when animal patient data is mixed with human prescription data. Opioid abuse is a societal problem and applying this additional level of regulation to veterinary medicine would do little more than create additional workflow that would take honest practitioners away from servicing our states diverse animal population. Many areas of our state are already underserved in veterinary practitioners and additional regulation only makes filling those voids more difficult.

Any Alternative or New Recommendations on This Agency: If mandated control substance reporting is implemented, then applying that to Schedule 2 would be more appropriate than including all schedules.

My Comment Will Be Made Public: I agree