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**To:** [Janet Wood](#)  
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From: sundrupal@capitol.local [<mailto:sundrupal@capitol.local>]  
Sent: Monday, November 14, 2016 7:09 PM  
To: Sunset Advisory Commission  
Subject: Public Input Form for Agencies Under Review (Public/After Publication)

Agency: TEXAS STATE BOARD SOCIAL WORKER EXAMINERS

First Name: Kasey

Last Name: McKee

Title: LCSW

Organization you are affiliated with:

Email:

City: Richardson

State: Texas

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

I'm writing to oppose moving TX Social Work regulation currently under the TSBSWE to the TDLR board, because I do not want to lose the integrity of our licensing. I spent 2 years in graduate school and then two and a half additional years upgrading my LMSW license to the LCSW, which licenses me as a private practicing therapist. When I see this bullet in particular: "Direct TDLR to remove unnecessary and restrictive education requirements for professional counselor applicants, and to reduce the burden of supervision requirements on licensees, supervisors, and staff," I'm scared that the TDLR will water down the requirements of client-serving licensees a) putting Texans at risk with ill-prepared, low-experienced/educated clinicians offering professional social work services and b) devaluing my education and hard earned (and expensive) licensure. After investing \$25,000 in graduate school and four years of my life, I want to keep the strong reputation, professional stature & credentialing my current license affords me.

Any Alternative or New Recommendations on This Agency: I would move to keep licensure under TSBSWE and use the money from our licensing fees to fully fund a strong and well-functioning board, which will keep our social work practices & licensure strong and reputable throughout the country like they currently are.

My Comment Will Be Made Public: I agree