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From: sunset@sunset.texas.gov <sunset@sunset.texas.gov> On Behalf Of Texas Sunset Commission
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Agency: TEXAS STATE BOARD PLUMBING EXAMINERS

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City: Round Rock

State: Texas

Your Comments About the Staff Report, Including Recommendations Supported or Opposed: I strongly oppose dismantling the TSBPE. TSBPE has been doing a great job protecting the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of our great state. They are a government agency that returns their phone calls and e-mails in a timely fashion, unlike other state boards I have dealt with in the past. The TSBPE requests every year for more funding because of the growth they have experienced and continued to have the funding requests disapproved. The board sends millions of dollars to the general fund every year that could easy fund improvements needed to protect the citizens of Texas. If no one is out policing the plumbing industry then anyone could call themselves "a plumber" which is not good for our citizens. I am a Master Plumber licensed with TSBPE and have served over 18 years City of Austin Solar Plumbing Mechanical Advisory Board to the city council. I personally believe our citizens will suffer financially and physically due to the lack of preemptive onsite license verification. TDLR wants to police the industry only by citizens complaints after they have experienced a financial loss, property damage or misleading information from unlicensed or registered individuals clamming to be plumbers.

Any Alternative or New Recommendations on This Agency: Allow the TSBPE to raise their budget to hire more field investigators. Add a 2 or 3 smaller testing facilities other cities across the state, stream line the Journeyman and Master examination (to much repetitiveness exists now). Do away with the Residential Utility Installer, Drain Cleaner, and Drain Cleaner Restricted indorsements to a third or fourth year apprentice indorsement.

My Comment Will Be Made Public: I agree