From: Sunset Advisory Commission

To: <u>Janet Wood</u>

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From: sundrupal@capitol.local [mailto:sundrupal@capitol.local]

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Your Comments About the Staff Report, Including Recommendations Supported or Opposed: I recommend create the Behavioral Health Executive Council to house all four behavioral health regulatory agencies and to expand the composition of BHEC to include professional representation from each board as voting members members in addition to the public representative recommended by Sunset Commission staff. I am referencing TCA Talking Points.

Any Alternative or New Recommendations on This Agency: One behavioral health agency would streamline paperwork for mental health clinicians and their LPC interns. The State of Texas is in dire need of qualified mental health professionals, one agency would facilitate processing new clinicians.

My Comment Will Be Made Public: I agree