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Agency: TEXAS STATE BOARD SOCIAL WORKER EXAMINERS

First Name: Lynn

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Title:

Organization you are affiliated with:

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City: Austin

State: Texas

Your Comments About the Staff Report, Including Recommendations Supported or Opposed: I do not agree with the recommendation to have the Texas Department of Licensing and Regulation oversee the social work licensing and complaints process. The TDLR does not have experience overseeing mental health providers, and this would put the social work field at a significant disadvantage for adequate oversight.

Any Alternative or New Recommendations on This Agency: The Texas State Board of Social Work Examiners should remain a separate entity and should receive additional funding to function better for social workers. Additional revenue from licensing fees should be used to assist the TSBSWE in performing its regulatory functions. Social workers need to be overseen by an agency that understands the scope of the field.

My Comment Will Be Made Public: I agree