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Dear Sir/Madam,

I am Mary Pombuena, a physical therapist who has been licensed in this state for 25 years. I work in an acute care setting in Fort Worth for the last 16 years and have just graduated last year with a doctorate in physical therapy.

I oppose the current proposal to combine the consolidation of the TBPTE into the TDLR due to the lack of medical knowledge or healthcare experience of the decision-makers to make appropriate decisions involving "hands-on" patient care that physical therapists routinely deliver. I believe that the TBPTE is a cost-efficient, operationally effective, and well-managed state agency. The TDLR consolidation will cost more, deliver less, and reduce the standard of patient safety in Texas.

I ask that you consider keeping the TBPTE as an independent state agency for the next 12 years as was recommended by the Sunset staff in multiple occasions.

Thank you for your time.

Respectfully yours,
Mary Pombuena, PT, DPT

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