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To whom it may concern,

I wish to discuss my concern at the attempt to consolidate TBPTE into TDLR against the recommendation of the Sunset staff. As a physical therapist, and someone with a background in the business world, I can't see the reasoning in rolling a profession with doctoral education into a group that has no members educated at a similar level.

Please retain the TBPTE as advised by the Sunset staff for the next 12 years. TBPTE is a cost-effective, well-managed state agency that understands the needs of the citizens of Texas and has the appropriate health care experience and medical knowledge to properly handle the decision-making process necessary for the profession.

While I understand the state's desire to consolidate state boards (health professions into TDLR) in a time of tightening budgets, it seems that this decision – which is new and counter to non-partisan recommendations by Sunset staff – would be counter-productive.

Please continue to support the decision that is best for our patients and our profession and keep the Texas Board of Physical Therapy Examiners. Please do not hesitate to call if you have additional questions.

Thanks,
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