From: <u>Sunset Advisory Commission</u>

To: <u>Trisha Linebarger</u>

Subject: FW: Public Input Form for Agencies Under Review (Public/After Publication)

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From: sunset@sunset.texas.gov < sunset@sunset.texas.gov > On Behalf Of Texas Sunset Commission

Sent: Sunday, November 11, 2018 7:54 PM

To: Sunset Advisory Commission <Sunset@sunset.texas.gov>

Subject: Public Input Form for Agencies Under Review (Public/After Publication)

Agency: TEXAS STATE BOARD PLUMBING EXAMINERS

First Name: Zachary

Last Name: Rivera

Title: Responsible Master Plumber

Organization you are affiliated with: TSBPE

Email:

City: Post

State: Texas

Your Comments About the Staff Report, Including Recommendations Supported or

Opposed: I oppose diminishing the Texas State Board of Plumbing examiners.

Our industry is strong and made up plumbers who come from several generations of tradesmen before them and getting rid of this is means getting rid of their family heritage. Making it easier to gain a plumbing license will only mean that more unqualified people will be working in people's homes causing more harm than good. Our trade requires us to have years of experience so we can diagnose problems and fix them correctly. Plumbers not knowing the proper ways to repair a plumbing system will result in unsanitary plumbing causing disease and sickness.

Any Alternative or New Recommendations on This Agency: Reorganize the board and give them the proper funding to hire the necessary personnel to keep the board operating. Let's keep the practical exam and look into making a new testing centers to serve our great state and ensure our future plumbers have the proper training and have earned the right to be called a plumber.

My Comment Will Be Made Public: I agree