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Agency: DEPARTMENT STATE HEALTH SERVICES DSHS

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Your Comments About the Staff Report, Including Recommendations Supported or Opposed:

I would like to register my opposition to the recommendation that the LPC Board become an advisory committee of the Texas Department of Licensing and Regulation. We have worked hard to create a professional identify and body that is committed to serving the public (our clients) in a variety of capacities (e.g., schools, agencies, private practice, etc.). In my opinion we do a good job of responding when there are complaints, but also of making sure that our state's LPCs are aware of changes and how that might impact our clients.

We are advocates for our clients and for opportunities to offer solid, quality mental health services to those that need them. I think to reduce our LPC Board to "simply an advisory" capacity would be a serious step back not only for our profession, but for our citizens. I would strongly encourage you to not consider this move and leave the LPC board independent – as it is now.

Any Alternative or New Recommendations on This Agency: Would recommend that the LPC Board continue as an independent Board that protects the public and holds us, as LPCs, to a high standard of service.

My Comment Will Be Made Public: I agree