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Agency: TEXAS DEPARTMENT LICENSING AND REGULATION

First Name: Michaela

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Title: Cosmetology operator

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

I think the proposed changes to the Barber and Cosmetology sectors are WONDERFUL.

Coming from an individual who has completed cosmetology school and part of barber school, I can attest that the difference between the two are minimal at best.

I've become one of the most skilled men's stylist cities wide, before I ever stepped into a barber school, through the help of many skilled barbers around me. I don't think it's necessary or helpful to have them separated, and at this point the line is already so blurred.

The instructor at the barber school I attended was mediocre at best, and used my already acquired skills to work me like a dog doing free haircuts rather than teach me anything new. I feel like I had more to offer to her own students than she did.

I fully embrace and look forward to new changes taking place under TDLR. It will make it easier for people with already established careers, who have already put in extra time and received education from peers around them, to move forward in the industry.

TDLR is most definitely a necessary entity. It's crucial our industry is held to the correct sanitary standards, and that is what is most important.

As far as mastering our skill, I feel like TDLR has no part in that, and it's up to us to seek out the best in our fields to learn from.

Any Alternative or New Recommendations on This Agency: None.

My Comment Will Be Made Public: I agree