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Your Comments About the Staff Report, Including Recommendations Supported or
Opposed: The Sunset Staff Report recommended discontinuing the Dental Laboratory Certification Council. I strongly disagree with this recommendation. The Texas laboratory industry and the technicians that work in them play an integral role in the dentistry that patients in Texas receive. The DLCC and it's members provide the knowledge base that is imperative in maintaining the highest standards in laboratory licensing in Texas. The Sunset Report stated the importance of the Board keeping up with trends in dentistry. Rapidly changing trends are also happening in the Texas Lab industry. Everyday more and more out of state and foreign countries are doing business in Texas and having a direct impact on patient prosthetics.
Without the DLCC to monitor these entities, it is my opinion that Texas patients would be at greater risk of receiving substandard laboratory products. Council members are Certified technicians, who are also lab owners and therefore provide a unique and needed knowledge base.

Any Alternative or New Recommendations on This Agency:
I would recommend that the DLCC continue to work with SBDE staff to maintain the highest level of licensing of new laboratories and renewals in Texas.
The DLCC could provide the Board with recommendations and information on current trends in the laboratory. The Dental Practice Act, it's rules and regulations must keep up with the rapidly changing laboratory industry and the role that technicians and labs play.

Thank you

My Comment Will Be Made Public: I agree