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Agency: TEXAS STATE BOARD EXAMINERS PSYCHOLOGISTS

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Your Comments About the Staff Report, Including Recommendations Supported or

Opposed: I am opposed to consolidation of Texas State Board of Examiners of Psychologists with an executive board that includes LMFT, LPC, and social workers. Having only one representative to the various types of licenses, the idea of an executive board is inappropriate, since the other boards consist of Masters level professionals, who do not understand Doctoral level psychologists' ethics, level of training, and content of training. This idea would be like having physician assistants and nurses regulating medical doctors, which is varying levels of training and no direct understanding of the more advanced levels of training.

Any Alternative or New Recommendations on This Agency: Keep psychologists' board separate from the masters' level boards. The master's level licenses, such as LMFT, LPC, and social work can consolidate into one board.

My Comment Will Be Made Public: I agree