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

I am an associate professor at UT Southwestern Medical Center and also practice at Children's Medical Center in Dallas. I have practiced in Texas almost 9 years. I am in full support of Sunset Commission's recommendation that Texas join the national License Compact to facilitate a licensed therapist's ability to move to Texas from another state without having to deal with the laborious process needed to get a Texas license. Nine years ago when I moved to Texas from New Jersey, where I had held a PT license for over

20 years, it took more than 6 weeks for me to get a licence to practice PT in Texas.

Next, I oppose the recommendation to remove CCAP from the TPTA and TBPTE. The TPTA and TBPTE are the most qualified agencies to oversee the review of continuing competency programs.

Any Alternative or New Recommendations on This Agency: I have no new recommendations for this agency.

My Comment Will Be Made Public: I agree