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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: Agree and fully support all recommendations made objectively by the commission. These outdated requirements seemed designed to protect the regulated group (incumbent psychologists' market), and not the public from genuinely unqualified practitioners. The face-to-face argument is silly after thousands of face-to-face hours spent working under supervision, and evaluated by licensed psychologists. The quality of 2-year supervision is the same: done licensed psychologists. To wait for a degree to be conferred administratively, just to restart the clock for postdoctoral and count those hours merely delays entry into the profession. Only the least stringent level of regulation needed to protect the public should be implemented.

Any Alternative or New Recommendations on This Agency: Streamline the over-regulatory process and trim the fat.

My Comment Will Be Made Public: I agree