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Agency: TEXAS FUNERAL SERVICE COMMISSION TFSC

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Your Comments About the Staff Report, Including Recommendations Supported or Opposed: My name is Michael Soper and I own and operate 42 funeral homes in Texas. I appreciate the time and care the Staff put into their report. I strongly agree that funeral homes in Texas need to be regulated by a stand alone Agency, the Texas Funeral Service Commission, (TFSC.) The TFSC does a wonderful job of regulating our industry and understanding the delicate nature of our industry and the consumers that we serve.

Any Alternative or New Recommendations on This Agency: I agree that a cemetery representative can be moved off the TFSC board, but I believe a funeral home owner that also owns a crematory should replace that cemetery member. My Alternative Recommendation would suggest three Industry members, one of which is a funeral home and crematory owner and four public members.

My Comment Will Be Made Public: I agree