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From: sunset@sunset.texas.gov On Behalf Of Texas Sunset Commission  
Sent: Wednesday, August 12, 2020 10:24:53 AM (UTC-06:00) Central Time (US & Canada)  
To: Sunset Advisory Commission  
Subject: Public Input Form for Agencies Under Review (Public/After Publication)

Agency: TEXAS ANIMAL HEALTH COMMISSION

First Name: Kathy

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State: Texas

Your Comments About the Staff Report, Including Recommendations Supported or Opposed: The staff report concluded that with the pandemic and illegal trade of animals among other issues would further upend the protections we have in place to rank higher than a good many states in our treatment of animals in TX. We must maintain a guideline and in fact, widen the margin of protections to keep wildlife, domestic livestock, and those who purchase under current breeding guidelines a fair transaction trade where an animal is deemed healthy with documentation and is raised humanely. It would be a direct opposition to the welfare of all parties involved to compromise the policies already in place and to not in further legislation expound on them.

Any Alternative or New Recommendations on This Agency: Let us maintain a standard and introduce legislative mandates that go beyond bare minimum for the sake of public health and well being of all animals.

My Comment Will Be Made Public: I agree