From: Sunset Advisory Commission

To: <u>Janet Wood</u>

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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 support the recommendation that the four licensing boards that oversee professionals who provide mental health services be housed under the BHEC.

The BHEC is an administrative board, not a licensing organization.

The licensing boards for LPC, LMFT, Social Workers and Psychologists should retain their integrity as separate entities for each distinct discipline.

Any Alternative or New Recommendations on This Agency: Maintaining the status quo results in an inefficient and at times ineffective use of state funding.

Creating two separate administrative agencies will only create more government, rather than streamlining what already exists.

My Comment Will Be Made Public: I agree