From: Sunset Advisory Commission

To: <u>Trisha Linebarger</u>

Subject: FW: Public Input Form for Agencies Under Review (Public/After Publication)

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From: sunset@sunset.texas.gov < sunset@sunset.texas.gov > On Behalf Of Texas Sunset Commission

Sent: Monday, November 12, 2018 9:27 PM

To: Sunset Advisory Commission <Sunset@sunset.texas.gov>

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Agency: TEXAS STATE BOARD PLUMBING EXAMINERS

First Name: Charles

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State: Texas

Your Comments About the Staff Report, Including Recommendations Supported or

Opposed: I did read the report and I see this as one sided. The Texas State plumbing board was not given the appropriate funding to do their jobs efficiently and could not carry out their objectives effectively with the funding being taken back by the state every year. We now have a issue with anyone from a homeowner to a handyman doing jobs that put families life and health at risk. I am also a master in Kansas and see this going in that direction... we are putting our state at risk of doing more harm than good. I have seen a plumbing company almost kill a boy in a dentist chair due to mis labeling a oxygen line. And their program is the same one y'all are trying to implement here. Your program does not try to hold the plumber to a higher standard to keep the public safe! It is to put more uncertified and lower level of knowledge persons out into the field at a fast pace to meet the demand for plumbers!! Why not take the focus off of how much money the state will save and look at how many lives are being saved with the system that is in place now and how to make it better. The state of Texas would not accept my Master lic from Kansas and made me retest. That was Texas making sure that I did know my stuff and had the knowledge and aptitude to hold that License.

Making a test on paper is something I could teach a child to pass in a week without no prior experience. Should we send that child out to fix your gas line that your family will sleep in tonight? You get what you pay for is my motto...

Any Alternative or New Recommendations on This Agency: I believe expanding the plumbing test sites to more than just one location is effective. Increase the staff size and help to enforce the laws that are being broken by every handyman out there that does put life and health of families at risk.

My Comment Will Be Made Public: I agree