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Agency: DEPARTMENT PUBLIC SAFETY DPS

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Your Comments About the Staff Report, Including Recommendations Supported or Opposed:

LMG Holdings, Inc. is a leading provider of ignition interlock devices in Texas. We operate two of our brands in Texas, Lifesafer Interlock and Guardian Interlock, and these two brands currently serve thousands of clients in Texas. We urge you to oppose DPS Issue 5, which would halt State oversight of our company and other providers of ignition interlock devices.

Few businesses invite regulation of their operations, but in this case, it is vitally necessary.

DPS provides important oversight of our industry to ensure that the ignition interlock providers in Texas are providing only high-quality certified devices. Removing this oversight will expose the citizens of Texas to lack of protection from operators with poor quality devices, which may contribute to motor vehicle crashes and injuries if the devices do not work as they must in vehicles. Lack of oversight also would likely lead to unnecessary economic harm to Texas citizens who lease these devices by exposing citizens to pay for devices of questionable quality. Removing oversight could also expose county governments and probation offices and officers to unnecessary burdens in attempting to regulate providers with poor quality devices, reporting systems or reliability in serving their customers. We know that other states have removed several providers in our industry from their lists of approved providers due poor quality devices, reporting systems and other measures of insufficient performance. We would not want to see these providers with demonstrated poor performance find an open door to operate without oversight in Texas. This would cause undue harm to the reputation of our industry. A loss of public trust in our industry would have a devastating blow to our industry and also to the thousands of people in Texas who are seeking to regain control of their lives with the help of ignition interlock devices. Please consider the safety of Texas citizens, the motoring public and the economic costs to Texas citizens and local governments that would suffer harm if oversight is removed. We urge you to oppose the Recommendation of Sunset Issue #5.

Any Alternative or New Recommendations on This Agency: We respectfully urge that you reconsider the staff recommendations and continue DPS oversight of the ignition interlock industry.

My Comment Will Be Made Public: I agree