From: Sunset Advisory Commission

To: <u>Janet Wood</u>

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From: sundrupal@capitol.local [mailto:sundrupal@capitol.local]

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Your Comments About the Staff Report, Including Recommendations Supported or Opposed: I disagree with the proposal that the executive council would be composed of one public member appointed by each of the four boards and an independent presiding officer appointed by the governor.

Any Alternative or New Recommendations on This Agency: I recommend that the consolidated agency [TSBEMFT, TSBEPC, TSBSWE and TSBEP] structure of the Behavioral Health Executive Council presents the best approach to align the regulation of these behavioral health professions and elevate the attention and oversight of these programs, and that more efficient and effective regulation of these professions will not only provide improved services and increased responsiveness to licensees but also will better protect behavioral health care consumers.

My Comment Will Be Made Public: I agree