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Agency: DEPARTMENT STATE HEALTH SERVICES DSHS

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State: Texas

Your Comments About the Staff Report, Including Recommendations Supported or Opposed: I oppose the recommendations to turn the current Licensed LMFT, LPC, and Social Worker credential over to TDLR. I have a masters as an LCDC and I have worked with addictions counselors that only have an AA or BS degree and they often lack the skills and knowledge that an LCDC with a Masters degree has, which puts the client at risk. If the transfer to TDLR occurs, marriage family therapist, licensed practical counselors and social workers very well may find themselves working with individuals who are not educationally equipped to work with those who need counseling or mental health care and that is endangering the clients.

Any Alternative or New Recommendations on This Agency: Keep the Texas State Board of Examiners of Professional Counselors in charge of LMFT, LPC's and Social Workers.

My Comment Will Be Made Public: I agree