From: Sunset Advisory Commission

To: <u>Janet Wood</u>

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

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

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Agency: TEXAS STATE BOARD EXAMINERS PROFESSIONAL COUNSELORS

First Name: Janice

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

I writing to express my support for the Sunset Commission staff finding regarding consolidating the four behavioral into the a single agency of The Behavioral Health Executive Council. In my opinion this is an efficient method of regulation and licensure of these professions and to protect the public.

I disagree with the staff recommendation of the Behavioral Health Executive Council to consist of only public members. My view is the membership should consist of one professional member appointed by each board and a public member appointed by the governor. A professional board member from each board can offer expertise from each discipline which can be considered in any decisions made by the BHEC.

I do support staff recommendation of improve and update all criminal background checks applicants and licensees, using available database systems available to check for issues in other states. This is need to protect the public and the behavioral health professions.

Any Alternative or New Recommendations on This Agency: To update the website design, and content information.

My Comment Will Be Made Public: I agree