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Your Comments About the Staff Report, Including Recommendations Supported or Opposed: I am opposed to abolishing the State of Texas licensure for dyslexia therapists. This licensure is a safeguard to insure that highly qualified teachers work with the struggling readers in our state. Wether it is for parents or schools, there is a need to identify teachers who are specifically trained to teach reading to dyslexic children. Without the licensure there is no standard to help guide parents and schools when hiring someone to teach their dyslexic children.

Any Alternative or New Recommendations on This Agency: I think we need to keep the same licensure for Academic Language Therapists in Texas and just give it some more time to grow in numbers.

My Comment Will Be Made Public: I agree