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Agency: DEPARTMENT STATE HEALTH SERVICES DSHS

First Name: Leonard

Last Name: Bohanon

Title:

Organization you are affiliated with:

City: The Woodlands

State: Texas

Your Comments About the Staff Report, Including Recommendations Supported or Opposed: Opposed to recommendation 3.2. Master's degree and above mental health professions should retain their own governing boards. Proper regulation of these professions requires the presence of people trained in the specific professions themselves along with the public members that currently constitute the board. I believe relegating these boards to advisory committees dangerously dilutes their authority and ultimately puts the public at risk.

Any Alternative or New Recommendations on This Agency: Allow current status (independent board that license each profession and discipline its members).

If additional funding is needed, licensing fees can be increased.

My Comment Will Be Made Public: I agree

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Agency: DEPARTMENT STATE HEALTH SERVICES DSHS

First Name: Leonard

Last Name: Bohanon

Title: LMFT

Organization you are affiliated with: Our Lady of the Lake University

City: Houston

State: Texas

Your Comments About the Staff Report, Including Recommendations Supported or Opposed: I am opposed to moving the Texas State Board of Examiners of Marriage & Family Therapy from DSHS to TDLR. TDLR is not accustomed to dealing with professions of this type (Master's level health professionals), while DSHS is. Those of us in the profession fear that MFT's will be poorly regulated under the proposed change.

Any Alternative or New Recommendations on This Agency: Leave Master's level mental health professions under DSHS

My Comment Will Be Made Public: I agree