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Agency: DEPARTMENT STATE HEALTH SERVICES DSHS

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Your Comments About the Staff Report, Including Recommendations Supported or Opposed: The Texas Midwifery Board should not be moved to DSHS. Licensed midwives are not doctors or nurses and therefore should not be regulated as such.

Any Alternative or New Recommendations on This Agency: No changes are needed for the Texas Midwifery Board. Decisions about midwives and their practices should be made by their peers that understand the practice. Putting midwives out of business would not only mean that many amazing midwives would be out of work but it may also lead to women who desire to experience birth at home trying to do so on their own.

My Comment Will Be Made Public: I agree