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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:

As the Provost of a an outstanding Texas-based University which offers graduate degrees in Marriage and Family Therapy (a mental and relational health profession which requires a graduate degree, State Licensure, and post graduate internships for professional practice), I urge you to Say no to moving LMFT's from DSHS. I am in favor of keeping our license with DSHS due to the face that I am a Health Care provider, I do not want my license to be taxed to pay for the move, As an educator of Licensed Marriage & Family Therapists, we do not want MFT to be diminished due to a move to a department that works with occupational licenses."

This change to move TSBEMFT away from TDLR is absolutely a unthinkable direction and will enjoy a profession, which requires over 60 hours of graduate semester credit hours and 3000 hours of post graduate supervision to be moved on par with cosmetology and sanitation. MFT is a graduate, mental health profession.

Sincerely, Philip A. Coyle, Ph.D., Ed.D., Provost and Executive Vice President

Any Alternative or New Recommendations on This Agency: "Say no to moving LMFT's from DSHS. I am in favor of keeping our license with DSHS due to the face that I am a Health Care provider, I do not want my license to be taxed to pay for the move, I am a Licensed Marriage & Family Therapist and I do not want it to be diminished due to a move to a department that works with occupational licenses."

My Comment Will Be Made Public: I agree