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From: sundrupal@capitol.local [<mailto:sundrupal@capitol.local>]
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Agency: DEPARTMENT STATE HEALTH SERVICES DSHS

First Name: Dick and Tweety

Last Name: Eastland

Title: Camp Directors

Organization you are affiliated with: Camp Mystic for Girls

City: Hunt

State: Texas

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

Dear Sunset Advisory Committee,

First and foremost, we want to commend your efforts to make the DSHS more financially efficient. We would like to take this time though to share our strong concerns regarding the summer camp industry's ability to have a voice against unreasonable regulations enforced on summer camps. It is incredibly important to maintain the required statutory input from Texas camps, as well as our loyal camp families. In the past, we believe it has worked very well when the department has met with the advisory committee to consider new rules and regulations. The advisory committee has a wealth of knowledge about our industry and provides valuable input when making decisions that affect summer camps in Texas. The advisory committee has worked successfully with the department over the years to improve and modify reasonable regulations. It is essential for the advisory committee to meet with the department before onerous regulations are implemented. Without the statutory requirement of the committee meeting with the department, it is likely our input will not be taken into account, therefore leading to possible regulations that may negatively impact our industry. I understand and respect your efforts to control costs, but an annual meeting is vital to protect our industry. I hope you will strongly take our concerns into consideration. Our industry may also be willing to discuss the option to defer costs in order to keep the annual committee meeting intact. Thank you for your time.

Respectfully,

Dick and Tweety Eastland
Directors
Camp Mystic for Girls

Any Alternative or New Recommendations on This Agency: Our industry may also be willing to discuss the option to defer costs in order to keep the annual committee meeting intact.

My Comment Will Be Made Public: I agree