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Agency: DEPARTMENT STATE HEALTH SERVICES DSHS

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State: Texas

Your Comments About the Staff Report, Including Recommendations Supported or Opposed: I oppose the deregulation of Medical Radiologic Technology and Respiratory Care Practice as proposed in the Sunset Commission report, issue 3 and appendix E. This step will be detrimental to patient care and safety, as well as detrimental to the professions themselves. This will also compromise the availability of jobs for graduates from educational programs. Ionizing radiation has potential to be a hazard to humans if not applied in an appropriate manner by trained professionals. Respiratory therapists are autonomous practitioners who take great responsibility for critically ill patients. We cannot compromise the patients of Texas by deregulating this professions. Thank you for your time!

Any Alternative or New Recommendations on This Agency: Maintaining licensure through transferring the programs to the Texas Department of Licensing and Regulation would be a viable option.

My Comment Will Be Made Public: I agree