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Your Comments About the Staff Report, Including Recommendations Supported or Opposed: The Texas Sunset Commission's recommendation that Social Work licensing board be moved to the Texas Department of Licensing and Regulation is remiss. The comments by the NASW TX on the requirements of a competent board or advisory board should be closely adhered to for the excellence of the Social Work profession and licensed Social Workers. The minimum requirements necessary for an independent board cannot be fulfilled by the Texas Department of Licensing and Regulation. This change if allowed, would have catastrophic results for Social Workers and the populations (abused & neglected children, mentally & physically disabled, seniors & the aging, veterans, and oppressed & disadvantaged groups) that we serve.

Any Alternative or New Recommendations on This Agency: The Texas Sunset Commission should refer to NASW TX comments for the appropriate standards of a licensing board for the Social Work profession and recommendations should be in line with these minimum suggestions for board competency.

My Comment Will Be Made Public: I agree