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Agency: DEPARTMENT STATE HEALTH SERVICES DSHS

First Name: Sabrina

Last Name: Graves

Title: Code Compliance Inspector

Organization you are affiliated with: City Of Longview

City: Longview

State: Texas

Your Comments About the Staff Report, Including Recommendations Supported or Opposed: I DO NOT support the recommendation to discontinue state regulation for Code Enforcement Officers.

Any Alternative or New Recommendations on This Agency: Code Enforcement is very important

My Comment Will Be Made Public: I agree

From: [Sunset Advisory Commission](#)
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From: sundrupal@capitol.local [<mailto:sundrupal@capitol.local>]
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To: Sunset Advisory Commission
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Agency: DEPARTMENT STATE HEALTH SERVICES DSHS

First Name: Sabrina Graves

Last Name: City Of Longview

Title: Code Compliance Inspector

Organization you are affiliated with: Ceat, Teex, TDHS, & Teha

City: Longview, Texas

State: Texas

Your Comments About the Staff Report, Including Recommendations Supported or
Opposed:
June 24, 2014

RE: DSHS Sunset Review

Dear Committee Members:

Thank you for the opportunity to submit the following comments regarding the DSHS review by the Sunset Advisory Commission. I am writing on behalf of Code Enforcement Officers. We respectfully oppose Recommendation 3.1 in the DSHS Sunset Staff Report to deregulate the Code Enforcement Officer Program and license in Texas. Code Enforcement Officers are critical in protecting the public welfare. Effective and Knowledge code enforcement helps ensure that land and buildings are safe and attractive. We are the one who peoples come to when their neighbors grass is to tall are they have a vehicle that has been there for years. People living in houses with no water, & etc. Being a licensed Code Enforcement Officer gives us officer solid footing on knowledge of state law, local ordinances, and local procedures when citing and abating these nuisances

Eliminating this state program in Texas would leave these professionals without a license that most jurisdictions covet for their employees to ensure they are properly trained and meet a standard that their communities expect.

Thank you again for the opportunity to submit comments on the DSHS Staff Report. Please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions regarding my comments.

Respectfully,

Sabrina Graves
Code Compliance Inspector, Senior
City Of Longview

Any Alternative or New Recommendations on This Agency: I support recommendation 3.2 in the DSHS Sunset report to Transfer Code Enforcement Program to TDLR.

My Comment Will Be Made Public: I agree