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Agency: DEPARTMENT STATE HEALTH SERVICES DSHS

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Title: School counselor/ LPC-Intern

Organization you are affiliated with: Texas Counseling Association

City: Houston

State: Texas

Your Comments About the Staff Report, Including Recommendations Supported or Opposed: I would like to share that I am opposed to the idea of that the Texas State Board of Examiners of Professional Counselors as well as the Marriage and Family Therapist and Social Worker licensing boards be reconstituted as advisory committees at the Texas Department of Licensing and Regulation. Licensed Professional Counselors and Marriage and Family Therapists must hold advanced graduate degrees and are considered Health Professions under Texas law. TDLR does not require this from the other professions it over sees. Texas State Board of Examiners of Professional Counselors has done and continues to do a great job of managing the licensure as it pertains to the counseling profession.

Any Alternative or New Recommendations on This Agency: Continue to allow the Texas State Board of Examiners of Professional Counselors under the Department of State Health Services to manage the licensure of counselors: LPC's, LMFT's, LCDC's, etc.

My Comment Will Be Made Public: I agree