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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.

THIS RECOMMNDATION NEEDS TO BE SERIOUSLY RECONSIDERED.

It doesn't appear that the staff took the time or advice from those that are in positions to voice their professional opinions about the questions of providing for the safety, health and welfare of the general public. I for one have thought this course for the past eight years and have seen throughout the state the economic development, the decrease of crime, fires and substandard living conditions. Also have notice serious health condition not plaguing our municipalities. And this staff recommends deregulation?

This would be a regrettable move on the part of the state. AGAIN, I'm OPPOSED mentioned recommendations as it applies to Code Enforcement.

I would be honored if I were able to speak on behalf of this profession during the hearings.

Any Alternative or New Recommendations on This Agency: As the Texas A&M Engineering Extension Service (TEEX) Associate Training Specialist for the Texas Code Enforcement Officer program, I've traveled around this great state and have been responsible for training thousands of Code Enforcement Officers over the past eight years and to the point where several states across this country have requested that I come and develop curriculum for their code enforcement officers. With that I recommend and have been in the process of developing professional upgrades to the Code profession along with former Program Director David Olivera. These upgraded positions would add validity not only to the program but to the general health, safety and welfare to the Texans that live and stride to provide the Quality of Life to their families, neighbors and their communities. Since we have not

accomplished these positions on the legislative level at this time, it would appear that we are turning our backs on the great citizens of the great State of Texas. We, (I) truly understand that the economic dangers of deregulation and certification, It is my belief again that this move to deregulation / certification would cause grave harm to the general public and without their knowledge and voice in this matter they would begin to witness the destruction of their neighborhoods and communities. The rise of crime, health issues, safety issues, rise of more substandard buildings and fires. Whether the Sunset committee agrees or not this recommendation of deregulating Code Enforcement would cause more economic harm to each thriving municipality that exists in this great State. Most importantly part of the reason folks are flocking to this state is because the low incident of crime, the cleanliness and the attractiveness of the great State. All the aforementioned traits that this great state provides to all that live here and have come to live here are SERVICES provided by PROUD- REGISTERED / CERTIFIED Code Enforcement Officers and Code Enforcement Officers in Training.

My Comment Will Be Made Public: I agree