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Agency: DEPARTMENT STATE HEALTH SERVICES DSHS

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Your Comments About the Staff Report, Including Recommendations Supported or Opposed: There are many benefits of credentialed code officers ensuring the public's welfare. For many years the DSHS has provided a consistent level of training for code officers throughout the state. I've been a registered code enforcement officer since the program started and have been in this profession for almost 30 years. To throw it by the wayside now would be a discredit to cities and other jurisdictions who depend on the code officers opinions and what they been trained to do. Some cities pay for certifications because of how valuable they are.

Any Alternative or New Recommendations on This Agency: If this is a money issue then more funds should be set aside for this program. Code Officers check life/safety issues each day. Before moving too fast Sunset needs to check into this program a little more closely to see how valuable code enforcement is to the economic development of cities and jurisdictions.

My Comment Will Be Made Public: I agree