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Your Comments About the Staff Report, Including Recommendations Supported or Opposed: I opposed the recommendation to deregulate the profession of Respiratory Therapy in the State of Texas. The role of the Respiratory Care Practitioners of Texas has been disseminated in the infrastructures of critically ill patients and the decisiveness of the Respiratory Care Practitioner to apply critical thinking skills with the medical team, which has benefited the measureable outcomes of the patients (i.e.: decreased length of stay in the hospital and decreased ventilatory aquired pneumonia (VAP)).

Any Alternative or New Recommendations on This Agency: The Sunset Advisory Commissioner should re-evaluate the substantial contributions that have been made by the Respiratory Care Practitioners of the State of Texas & throughout the nation as a whole.

My Comment Will Be Made Public: I agree