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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: I am in support of continuing licensure for dyslexia therapists.

Licensure ensures that those individuals working to remediate our dyslexic students meet the highest standards, are highly trained, and are using effective, research-based programs. Texas is known as being a leader state in the area of dyslexia remediation. Why would we want to undo what professionals have worked years to create?

Any Alternative or New Recommendations on This Agency: Dyslexia therapists could be licensed the same way others who work with students who have special needs (speech therapists, occupational therapists, and physical therapists) are licensed.

My Comment Will Be Made Public: I agree