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Agency: DEPARTMENT STATE HEALTH SERVICES DSHS

First Name: Tassia

Last Name: Oliphant

Title: Texas Midwifery Board

Organization you are affiliated with: The Association of Texas Midwives

City: Forney

State: Texas

Your Comments About the Staff Report, Including Recommendations Supported or Opposed: I believe the Texas Midwifery Board should not be moved to the Texas Department of Licensing and Regulation (TDLR). I have received excellent medical care with my 2 pregnancies from midwives. They were very professional and knowledgeable about pregnancy and birth. They helped with the prevention of pregnancy complications and were wise to know when medical interventions were needed.

Any Alternative or New Recommendations on This Agency: DSHS is best equipped to regulate health care professions. The move will eliminate rule-making authority of the Midwifery Board, an ability crucial to continually improving safety and maintaining best practice standards.

My Comment Will Be Made Public: I agree