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Agency: DEPARTMENT STATE HEALTH SERVICES DSHS

First Name: Daniel

Last Name: Smith

Title:

Organization you are affiliated with: Mr.

City: Seabrook

State: Texas

Your Comments About the Staff Report, Including Recommendations Supported or Opposed:

I am enrolled on a respiratory therapy program. The Sunset Advisory Commission Staff Report recently recommended to discontinue 19 regulatory programs currently housed at the Department of State Health Services, with Respiratory Care Practitioners Program being one of them.

I am in full agreement with the Sunset Advisory Board and strongly believe that Respiratory Care should be deregulated. I can think of only one exception to the observation that both my instructors and witnessed practitioners remember remarkably little of what is taught in school.

That said, I maintain an even stronger conviction that the NBRC credentialing test should still be administered. This will weed out those who are looking for a quick buck in the industry, maintain job security for those practitioners already working, and ensure quality of care.

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My school Pima Medical Institute, is having us fill out a petition to oppose these ideas. I feel if I don't sign that petition, I will be subject to 'special attentions', which is a major problem seeing as I am investing almost \$36K and two years here.

Thank you for your time.

Any Alternative or New Recommendations on This Agency:

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My Comment Will Be Made Public: I agree