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Your Comments About the Staff Report, Including Recommendations Supported or Opposed: There is a disconnect between the policies/operations of DSHS and TDLR regulate regarding radiation devices, personnel operating radiation devices, and other radiation generating sources (radioactive material). Some are scheduled to remain in DSHS and others are to recommended to be moved to TDLR. This will make the oversight of "radiation hazards" difficult to keep consistent. Either all the programs using radiation should stay in DSHS or all be moved to TDLR.

Any Alternative or New Recommendations on This Agency: I do think the current review body that monitors personnel using radiation is the right mix but I do think that when the number of licenses issued to medical physicists vs. x-ray technologists shows that a higher degree of control should be placed on the x-ray technologists than is currently in place in Texas. Also the review body should be granted the flexibility to use discretion in determining who is qualified to function as a medical physicist or x-ray technologist and who is not. Currently there is a significant disconnect between the two.

My Comment Will Be Made Public: I agree