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Your Comments About the Staff Report, Including Recommendations Supported or Opposed: I neither support or oppose the changes. Since the LPC board has been understaffed and failing to meet the needs of professional as is and I am not sure the purposed changes will make it any better. Below, I have stated my recommendation for what I think would work best as it did when I was a member in a different state.

Any Alternative or New Recommendations on This Agency: I believe since LPCs, LMFTs and clinical Social Workers primary all do similar clinical work, especially in Private settings, but have different rules which applies differently to the same type of work, it would be best to have one board such as (Board of Behavioral Health Practitioners) which governs all mental Health Master's level professionals, with similar ethical and administrative rules and regulations. This way, it avoids people doing exactly the same type of work been treated vastly differently. The Board could consist of representatives for the consumers and practitioners in each of the fields. It also saves money in terms of staff and budgeting of three seperate boards. My hope it now that we are open to changing the structure, this process is studied carefully and done with a great deal of thought and research put into it! Thank you, Shea Alexander, LPC-S

My Comment Will Be Made Public: I agree